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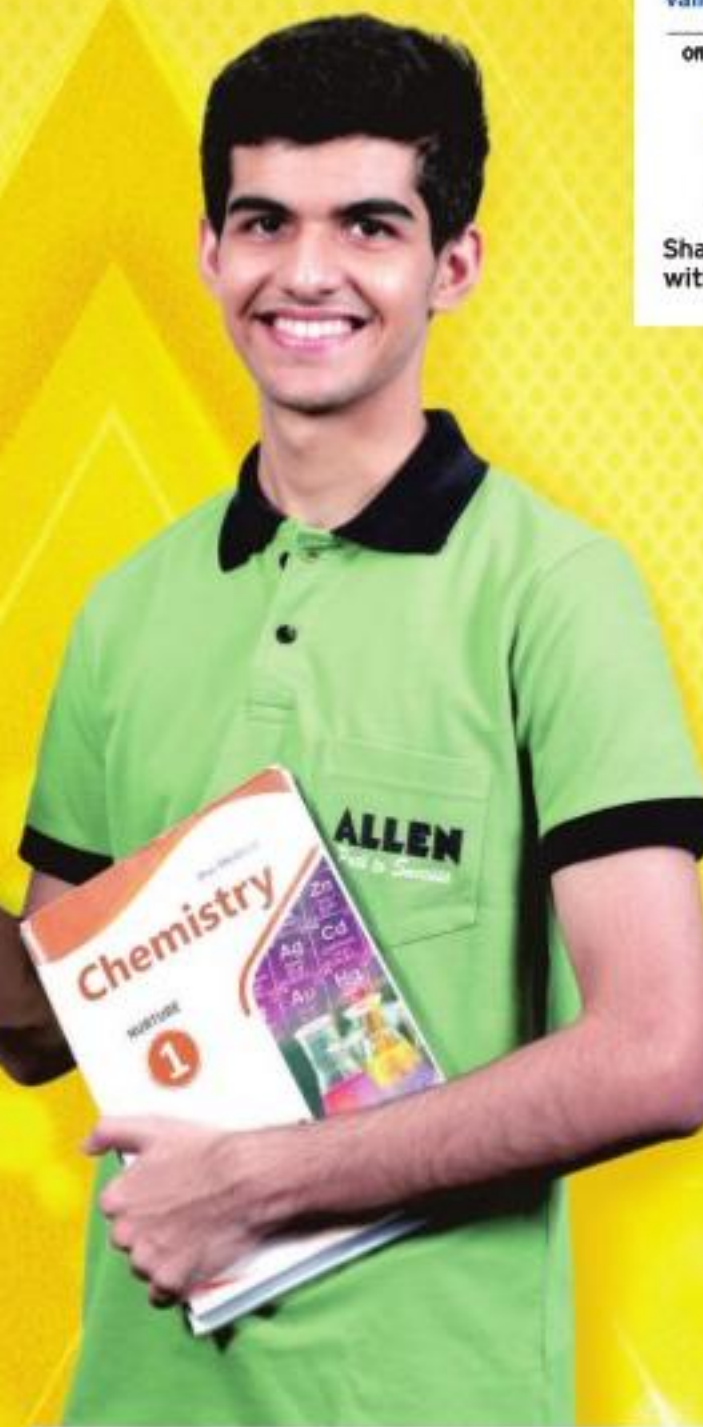
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OPERATION SINDOOR

Pak blows hot & cold, says ready to 'wrap' tensions, then threatens to retaliate

Authorises army to avenge strikes 'at a time, place, & manner of its choosing'

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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Pakistan's defence minister Khawaja Asif on Wednesday said Islamabad is open to reducing tensions with India, provided New Delhi chooses to de-escalate the current situation. Asif appeared to soften his stance in the wake of India's military strikes on terror targets in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) under "Operation Sindoor", which was conducted in the early hours of Wednesday.

In a TV interview, Asif stressed that Pakistan would not initiate hostilities but would respond if provoked.

"We have consistently maintained over the past two weeks that we will not initiate any hostile action against India. However, if we are attacked, we will respond. If India chooses to step back, we are fully prepared to wind down this tension," he said.

Asif also noted that he was not aware of any potential diplomatic engagements or talks being planned between the two countries at this stage. India's strikes targeted nine terror-related sites in Pakistan and PoK in response to the recent terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir's marquee



Pakistan soldiers attend the funeral of the victims of the Indian military strikes in Muridke, a town in Punjab province, on Wednesday. AP/PTI

tourist resort — Pahalgam, which left 26 people dead and at least 20 injured.

The remarks marked a climbdown from Asif's tough comments earlier in the day, where he issued a blunt warning that Pakistan was fully

prepared to retaliate with force against India. "If India attempts to occupy even an inch of our land, it will prove to be a costly misadventure," he told Pakistan news outlet Geo News, adding, "We will respond with full force. We

will pay off this debt in the manner such debt is paid."

Asif had also stated that Pakistan's response would be both "kinetic and diplomatic", adding that "it would not take long" for Islamabad to act. Mean-

while, Pakistan's top security body on Wednesday said the armed forces had been duly authorised to undertake retaliation "at a time, place, and manner of its choosing" to avenge the loss of lives in the Indian military strikes.

Excalibur, Scalp & Hammer struck targets with precision

AJAY BANERJEE
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The Indian military on Wednesday used latest weapons from its arsenal that have a capability of precision strikes over long distances. The point of impact in each of the targets was a specific building or a group of buildings.

The Army was tasked with seven targets and the IAF with two. The IAF hit the camps at Muridke and Bahawalpur, while the Army hit the rest. The Tribune has learnt that the US-made ultra light Howitzer 'M777' was used to fire 'Excalibur', a precision strike ammunition that was part of the deal India had with the US to procure 145 of these guns. Excalibur can fire at distance of 40 km with pin-point accuracy.

The Army also used loitering ammunition. Called 'kamikaze drones', these can stay on hold in the air for hours and the ground controller can feed in the coordinates of the target, sources said.

At the press briefing today, Wing Commander Vyomika Singh said: "These (strikes) were undertaken through precision capability, niche technology and a careful selection of warheads was ensured."

It is learnt the IAF deployed the Rafale jets that can carry the long-range missile, Scalp,



A structure reduced to rubble during the military strikes inside Pakistan.

and the guided bomb, 'Hammer', which can go through multiple floors of a building to destroy it. The Hammer is integrated on the Rafale and can

hit at targets 60 km away. The Scalp cruise missiles with a range of 550 km was used in Bahawalpur that is 100 km away from India.



A bomb disposal squad takes part in a drill conducted as part of the nationwide civil defence exercise in Mumbai on Wednesday. PTI

Blackout drill held across country to test war readiness

ANIMESH SINGH
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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The country on Wednesday witnessed mock drills across several states as blackouts were conducted in cities ranging from Punjab to Tripura as per the directives of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), which had advised states to undertake the precautionary measure to prepare the public in the eventuality of an armed conflict.

On May 5, the MHA had directed states to conduct mock drills on May 7 as advised by the Directorate General of Civil Defence, Fire Services and Home Guards.

Subsequently, 244 vulnerable or civil defence districts undertook the mock drill across the country on Wednesday evening.

In the national capital, several areas like the Akshardham Temple, Khan Market and Vijay Chowk, undertook blackout exercises.

Lights were also turned off at the Rashtrapati Bhavan as well as the North Block and the South Block as part of the blackout exercise.

In Madhya Pradesh, blackouts were conducted in Bhopal and other parts of the state, including

Gwalior, with Chief Minister Mohan Yadav reviewing the exercise at the State Command Centre.

Blackouts also took place at key locations in Tripura from 5.30 to 5.40 pm to check the readiness of the areas to face an emergency. A siren was sounded at first to warn residents. Punjab also witnessed blackouts across several cities like Amritsar and Ludhiana.

In Haryana, Gurugram was set to undergo a full-night blackout as a part of the mock drill exercise in order to fully experience a no-light zone, according to Deputy Commissioner Ajay Kumar.

Mock drills were also conducted in various parts of the Kashmir valley.

Sources had informed that the aim behind the entire exercise was to check whether the paraphernalia or infrastructure related to dealing with situations like an armed conflict or a natural disaster was in the working mode or not.

"Depending on the feedback of the May 7 mock drills, the drawbacks in the system will be addressed and more such drills will be undertaken in the near future... It will be a continuous process," a highly placed source said.

How Op Sindoor differs from Balakot airstrikes

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CHANDIGARH, MAY 7

Operation Sindoor is the second cross-border airstrike to be conducted by the Indian Air Force in response to terrorist attacks in Jammu and Kashmir. The first such action was on Balakot in 2019. Both operations, though having a common objective, are vastly different in their scope and execution.

Operation Sindoor of May 7 was launched as retribution to an attack by Pakistan-backed terrorists at Pahalgam in Jammu and Kashmir on April 22 that killed 26 persons, while the Balakot strike was in response to a suicide car bomb attack on a CRPF bus at Pulwama that killed 40 personnel.

Compared to Operation Sindoor that hit 24 targets at nine places in Pakistan across a wide swath from across Central Rajasthan to Kashmir, Balakot was a limited operation, involving airstrikes on just once place in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK).

The most significant aspect of Operation Sindoor is targeting places outside the disputed territory of PoK, something which has happened for the first time since the 1971 Indo-Pak war. Of the nine targets, four were in

Pakistan's Punjab province, including the militarily important city of Bahawalpur and another near Lahore.

Unlike past operations, Operation Sindoor was expansive and the decision to strike deep into Pakistan across the International Border, with Bahawalpur being about 130 kms from the border, points at a departure from prior doctrine of limited aggression and indicates an evolution in India's strategic posture and willingness to take strong and decisive action in pursuits of its interests, according to defence experts. Balakot, a senior officer said, threw up several lessons for the future.

The platforms used were also different. While Mirage-200s armed with Spice bombs were used in Balakot, Rafales armed with long-range Scalp cruise missiles and Hammer smart bombs are believed to have been used in Operation Sindoor. Buring Balakot, IAF aircraft reportedly ingressed into PoK airspace while in Operation Sindoor, the missiles were launched from within Indian airspace. The result of the Balakot strike was kept under wraps, but the impact of Operation Sindoor is publically visible.

Jaish chief's 10 family members, 4 associates wiped out in strikes

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Maulana Masood Azhar, the chief of Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM), on Wednesday admitted that 10 of his family members and four associates were killed in India's "Operation Sindoor".

An Urdu statement attributed to Azhar stated those killed in the attack on Jamia Masjid Subhan Allah in Bahawalpur included the JeM chief's elder sister and her husband, a nephew and his wife, another niece, and five children from his extended family. It also mentioned that the attack also claimed the lives of one of Azhar's close associates and his mother, along with two other close companions.

Bahawalpur, Pakistan's 12th largest city, as per security agencies serves as the centre for JEM, the terror group responsible for several attacks in India. The city is located nearly 400 km from Lahore, and houses JeM's operational headquarters at the Jamia Masjid Subhan Allah, also known as the Usman-o-Ali campus.

Markaz Subhan Allah has



TERROR MASTERMIND

■ Born in 1968 in Bahawalpur, Maulana Masood Azhar served as a cleric in Harkat-ul-Mujahideen before his arrest in 1994 by India. He was designated a global terrorist by the UNSC in May 2019



■ Azhar has been responsible for multiple terror attacks in India after the establishment of Jaish-e-Mohammad in 2000. Some of these attacks include the 2001 Parliament attack, the 2019 Pulwama attack and the 2016 attack on the Pathankot airbase

been operational since 2015, and the facility has been used for training and radicalisation. It houses a central mosque, madrasa for more than 600 students along with a swimming pool, and a gymnasium.

Before 2011, the Markaz Subhan Allah was publicly presented as a religious seminary. However, it was later transformed into a facility as a training facility. Azhar has been a central figure in the history of terrorism against India. Born in 1968 in Bahawalpur, Azhar

served as a cleric in Harkat-ul-Mujahideen before his arrest in 1994 by the Indian authorities. He was designated a global terrorist by the United Nations Security Council in May 2019.

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India briefs world, says will 'retaliate resolutely' if Pak escalates

Call for 'maximum restraint'

UJWAL JALALI
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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

India on Wednesday informed several world leaders of its targeted action in Pakistan on nine terror camps and stated that it is prepared to "retaliate resolutely" if the neighbouring country further escalates the situation.

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar had a telephonic conversation with Qatar Prime Minister Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al-Thani, Japanese Foreign Minister Takeshi Iwaya, France Foreign Minister Jean-Noël Barrot, German FM Johann Wadepuhl, and Spain Foreign Minister José Manuel Albares where he discussed India's targeted and measured response to deter cross-border terrorism.

Shortly after the strikes, National Security Advisor

Jaishankar, Doval speak to their counterparts

(NSA) Ajit Doval spoke with NSAs of several countries including Marco Rubio (US), Jonathan Powell (UK), Musaid Al Aiban (Saudi Arabia), Sheikh Tahnoun (UAE), and Masataka Okano (Japan).

NSA Doval also established contact with Russian NSA Sergei Shoigu, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi and Emmanuel Bonne, Diplomatic Adviser to French President.

According to officials, NSA briefed his counterparts on actions taken and method of execution, which was measured, non-escalatory and restrained. "He emphasised that India had no intent to escalate but was well prepared to retaliate resolutely should Pakistan decide to escalate.

NSA will be in touch with his counterparts in the days ahead," they said.

The Indian Embassy in the US stated that there were credible leads, technical intelligence, survivor testimonies, and other evidence gathered, through which India identified the involvement of Pakistan-based terrorists in the Pahalgam attack.

Foreign Secretary Vikram Misra also briefed 13 envoys in Delhi where he raised the issue of current escalation by the Pakistani side, Pakistan shielding TRF India's targeted response, and the barbarity of the Pahalgam terror attack.

"During the briefing, India made it clear that if Pakistan responds, India will respond," officials aware of the briefing said. As per officials, the Indian Mission in the United Nations will reach out to UNSC members in New York.

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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Soon after India carried out "Operation Sindoor", world leaders turned into mediating links, hoping for aggressive matters between India and Pakistan to de-escalate as soon as possible.

In his reaction, US President Donald Trump called it a shame and hoped that it would end "very quickly."

US Secretary of State Marco Rubio said on Washington would continue to engage the nuclear-armed Asian neighbours towards a "peaceful resolution."

China also expressed concern over Indian strikes on Pakistan, urging both sides to show restraint in response to a major escalation between its nuclear-armed neighbours.



PUSHING FOR PEACE

"We are monitoring the situation between India and Pakistan closely. Washington will continue to engage the nuclear-armed Asian neighbours towards a peaceful resolution."

Marco Rubio, US SECRETARY OF STATE

Russia's foreign ministry said it was "deeply concerned by the escalation of military

confrontation", called "on the parties to exercise restraint to prevent further deterioration"

French Foreign Minister Jean-Noel Barrot, in an interview on TF1 television said, "We understand India's desire to protect itself against the scourge of terrorism, but we obviously call on both India and Pakistan to exercise restraint." Israel has backed 'India's right to self-defence' after missile strikes on Pakistan. Talking to X, Reuven Azar, Israeli Ambassador to India, said Israel "supports India's right for self-defence", adding that "Terrorists should know there's no place to hide from their heinous crimes against the innocent". The UAE asked India and Pakistan "to de-escalate tensions and avoid further escalation."



ROHIT CALLS IT A DAY IN TEST CRICKET SPORT

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15 days after tourist carnage, India destroys 9 terror sites in Pakistan & PoK under Operation Sindoor

Jaish's Bahawalpur & LeT's Muridke headquarters targeted in 25-minute 'measured' missile strikes

70 terrorists killed as Delhi warns any misadventure by nuclear-armed neighbour will be effectively answered

PAHALGAM AVENGED

AJAY BANERJEE

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

India on Wednesday carried out precision attacks on the core of Pakistan's terror infrastructure, targeting nine sites, including terrorist training camps, launch pads and headquarters of the Jaish-e-Mohammed and Lashkar-e-Toiba, in a 25-minute strike codenamed Operation Sindoor.

The armed forces used a mix of air-launched missiles, self-destructing kamikaze drones and artillery fire from the ground. The retaliatory action follows the "savage killing" of 25 male tourists, gunned down in front of their wives and families, and one local guide in the higher reaches of Kashmir's Pahalgam town on April 22.

Sources said at least 70 terrorists were killed at the sites — four in Pakistan and five in Pakistan-occupied J&K. India chose the targets based on "credible intelligence" about terror camps operating at these sites, camouflaged as health centres to evade detection and circumvent sanctions from international organisations, including the Financial Action Task Force, officials said.

India said it was ready to respond to any escalation initiated by its nuclear-armed neighbour.

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EDIT: PAHALGAM PAYBACK



Coffins of those killed in Indian strikes lined up ahead of funeral prayers in Bahawalpur, Pakistan. REUTERS

PM'S FOREIGN TOUR OFF

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's three-nation tour to Europe has been called off in view of escalating tensions between India and Pakistan, official sources said on Wednesday. Modi was scheduled to travel to Croatia, Norway and The Netherlands from May 13 to 17. The PM was scheduled to visit Norway to attend the Nordic Summit.

HOPE IT ENDS SOON: US

I guess people knew something was going to happen based on a little bit of the past. They've been fighting for a long time. I hope the hostilities end very quickly.



Donald Trump, US President

25 AIRPORTS SHUT

Over 300 flights have been cancelled and at least 25 airports, including Srinagar, Leh, Jammu, Amritsar, Pathankot, Chandigarh, Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Shimla, Dharamshala and Jammu, have been temporarily shut for operations amid restrictions in the wake of the armed forces launching missile attacks on terror targets in Pakistan.

9 targets chosen using credible intel

AJAY BANERJEE

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Over the two weeks since terrorists brutally killed 26 civilians in Pahalgam on April 22, India meticulously identified nine terror camps operating in Pakistan that were to be hit by dual strikes from land and air.

The decision to carry out precision strikes deep inside Pakistan marked a new benchmark in responding to ghastly attacks such as the Pahalgam massacre, said officials.

India had intelligence about terror camps operating at these sites, camouflaged as health centres to evade detection and circumvent sanctions from international organisations, including the Financial Action Task Force, the officials said.

Military options were discussed threadbare after Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave a free hand to the armed forces, leading to Operation Sindoor in wee hours of Wednesday, they said.

Army officer Col Sofiya Qureshi, who was part of the government's media briefing team after the operation, said the strikes were based on credible intelligence inputs and the role played by the terror camps in perpetrating

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MUZAFFARABAD

1. Shawal Nalla camp (LeT)

Key training facility located 30 km from LoC in Tangdhar, linked attack on civilians & security forces in Sonmarg and Gulmarg in 2024, and Pahalgam on April 22

2. Syedna Belal camp (JeM)

Hub to train terrorists in arms & jungle warfare techniques before launch in Kashmir

BHIMBER

5. Barnala camp (LeT)

Located 9 km from LoC opposite Rajouri-Poonch sector, used to train terrorists in weapon handling, IED making, jungle survival

KOTLI

3. Gulpur camp (LeT)

30 km from LoC, used for terror ops in Rajouri-Poonch; 26/11 plotter Zakir-ur-Rehman Lakhvi frequented camp

4. Abbas camp (LeT)

Nerve centre for training of suicide bombers located 13 km from LoC, opposite Rajouri; had key training infra for 50 terrorists

SIALKOT

6. Sarjal camp (JeM)

6 km from IB opposite Samba-Kathua; role in killing of 4 J&K cops in March

7. Mehmoona Joya camp (Hizb)

12 km from IB; used to revive terror in Kathua, Jammu; role in Pathankot attack

MURIDKE

8. Markaz Taiba (LeT)

25 km from IB, is HQs of Hafiz Saeed-led LeT; linked to 26/11 attack, David Headley & Ajmal Kasab trained here

BAHAWALPUR

9. Markaz Subhan Allah (JeM)

100 km from IB; used to indoctrinate, train terrorists; frequented by Masood Azhar

4 Sikhs among 13 killed as Pak shells Poonch, attacks gurdwara

ARJUN SHARMA

JAMMU, MAY 7

Pakistani troops pounded heavy calibre shells on different areas of Poonch district and many other places, resulting in the death of 13 persons, including four minors and a soldier, and leaving 45 injured.

The Jammu-Poonch National Highway (NH-144) was also targeted at some places. Soon after India commenced Operation Sindoor early this morning, the Pakistan army, that had already stationed heavy calibre guns along the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch and Rajouri districts, started shelling the districts.

Three members of the Sikh community were killed when a shell hit Guru Singh Sabha Sahib Gurdwara. The "ragi" at the shrine, Amrik Singh (55), besides Amarjeet Singh (47) and another Sikh, were killed.

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5 Fd Regiment soldier among casualties



A man looks through a damaged portion of a house after heavy shelling by the Pakistan military across the LoC in the Mendhar area of Poonch. PM

MHA SHUTS KARTARPUR CORRIDOR

The Bureau of Immigration, Ministry of Home Affairs, ordered the closure of the Kartarpur Corridor on Wednesday morning. The order came in the wake of Operation Sindoor launched by the Indian armed forces. Gurdaspur Deputy Commissioner Dalwinderjit Singh confirmed the development. It is not clear till when the corridor will remain closed. It is operated by the Land Ports Authority of India.

Terror dens hit with precision, no civilian harmed: Rajnath

ADITI TANDON

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Hours after the Indian military struck terror infrastructure in Pakistan and PoK, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh sent out a firm message to the world that the country exercised its right to respond in the wake of the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack that killed 26 innocent citizens on its soil.

Cabinet salutes forces

PM briefs Mummu

All-party meet today

Rajnath, the first minister to speak publicly after Operation Sindoor in the early hours on Wednesday, said the Indian armed forces had scripted history by acting with precision, precaution and compassion to destroy

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Sindoor, women briefing: Firm message to Pak

ADITI TANDON

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

India's choice of codename 'Operation Sindoor' for the May 7 strikes on terror infrastructure in Pakistan and PoK was meant to deliver a strong, symbolic message to the neighbour and the world of national solidarity with the widows of the April 22 Pahalgam attack.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave the name to the military strike meant to "teach Pakistan-trained terrorists a lesson", as he had promised in Bihar on April 24. Sindoor, the red vermillion powder, is a symbol of matrimonial longevity and health in the Hindu faith.

"On April 22, Pakistan-trained terrorists singled out and murdered Hindu men in front of their wives, mothers and children. Those who were spared in the attack were told to give PM Modi the message. The operation is the PM's



Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri with Col Sofiya Qureshi and Wing Commander Vyomika Singh during a press conference on Operation Sindoor in New Delhi on Wednesday. MUKESH AGGARWAL

answer to the perpetrators of the Pahalgam attack. It is a revenge India has taken on behalf of its mothers and sisters who were wronged in Pahalgam," said a top government source. Even For-

eign Secretary Vikram Misri in his remarks on the Indian response today made a mention of the "savagery and barbarism" of the Pahalgam

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EDIT: NOT JUST A NAME

PM PICKED OP NAME

The PM chose the name of the operation to express national solidarity with the women who lost their husbands in the Pahalgam massacre.

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OPERATION
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India's firm Pahalgam response marks sharp shift from 2008 Mumbai attacks

NEWS ANALYSIS

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

India's firm military response to 26 killings in Pahalgam stands in sharp contrast to the 2008 Mumbai terror attacks that killed 166 people, but did not invite kinetic action against the neighbour.

Parliamentary and archival records of the time reveal that the then Congress-led UPA coalition government rejected the military option in the aftermath of the attack and chose to take the diplomatic route to shame Pakistan. It, however, suspended the then proposed to be revived comprehensive dialogue with Pakistan.

The then UPA government had also extended the courtesy of offering an official aircraft to drop the then visiting Pakistan foreign minister, Shah Mehmood Qureshi, back home to Pakistan after news flashed that terrorists from across the border had unleashed mayhem in Mumbai. Qureshi was on an official visit to India on November 26, 2008, the day the Mumbai attacks began.

He had held discussions with then External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee and along with the latter was



People hail 'Operation Sindoor' in Ahmedabad on Wednesday. PTI

slated to address an event in Chandigarh's CRRID on November 27.

In his memoirs, "The Coalition Years: 1996-2012", late Pranab Mukherjee writes, "After the Mumbai attacks, the question of continuing with foreign minister Qureshi's visit arose. The Pakistan High Commission informed us that their foreign minister was in the midst of a press conference with a group of women journalists. I interrupted the press conference through a journalist I knew personally and asked her to inform him that I wanted to speak with him."

Mukherjee goes on to mention in the book that he urged

Qureshi to leave as soon as possible and offered his own official aircraft to take him back home. "I was told Pakistan Air Force aircraft would take him back. On his return to Pakistan, the minister told the media that he was extended all courtesies and diplomatic privileges in India," says Mukherjee's memoir, adding that as foreign minister he personally rejected the military option against Pakistan.

"Naturally, the reaction in Indian Parliament was sharp. Amid heated debates within the Cabinet, there was a demand for military intervention, which I rejected. I made an observation which was

quoted frequently later. I said I do not believe there is any scope of romanticism in external relations. Similarly, I do not indulge in any sort of adventurism in guiding the foreign policy of the country. Dialogue is the only course available for resolution of all problems and unfortunately this process has been disrupted by this totally condemnable act of Pakistani terrorist. The proposed comprehensive dialogue between India and Pakistan is suspended till a conducive atmosphere is created," Mukherjee had said in his book.

Mukherjee said he spoke to foreign ministers of over 100 countries across different time

zones to shame Pakistan and build public opinion against it.

UPA's diplomatic response led to a UN sanctions committee listing individual entities based in Pakistan, including leaders of LeT under Security Council Resolution 1267. The JuD was also listed as an alias of LeT.

Post Pahalgam attack, Indian response was both diplomatic and kinetic with PM Narendra Modi announcing from Bihar on April 24: "Today, from the soil of Bihar, I say to the whole world that India will identify, track and punish every terrorist, and their backers. We will pursue them to the ends of the earth. India's spirit will never be broken by terrorism. Terrorism will not go unpunished."

The government followed up on PM's announcements by retaliating to the attack first through diplomatic means (suspension of Indus Waters Treaty, revocation of visas of Pakistani nationals in India and more) and today through military action. At the UN, India declared that Pakistan is a rogue state fuelling global terrorism and the world could no longer turn a blind eye to its actions. Today India justified Operation Sindoor saying: "We exercised our right to respond."

JeM's HQ in Bahawalpur made it a prized target

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CHANDIGARH, MAY 7

Among the nine places in Pakistan that were hit during the intervening night of May 6-7 in retaliation to the Pahalgam terror attack, Bahawalpur stands out for more than one reason.

As part of Operation Sindoor, other targets reportedly include Muridke near Lahore, Muzaffarabad, Kotli, Gulpur, Bhimber, Bagh, Chak Amru and Sialkot. This is for the first time since the 1971 Indo-Pak war that places outside PoK have been hit.

Located in central Pakistan, Bahawalpur is outside PoK. The surgical strikes of 2016 in response to the Uri attack and the airstrikes on terror camps at Balakot in response to the Pulwama attack in 2019 were within PoK.

Bahawalpur is the headquarters of Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), which is involved in numerous other terror-related incidents, including the attack on Parliament in 2001, the attack on Pathankot airbase in 2016 and the Pulwama incident.

JeM was created in 2000 by Pakistan's ISI with the intention to carry out terrorist activities against India. Maulana Masood Azhar, imprisoned in India on terror-related charges and released



A broken table is pictured inside a house in Muzaffarabad. REUTERS

along with two others in exchange for passengers of an Indian Airlines aircraft hijacked to Afghanistan in 1999, was made its head.

Originally operating from training camps in Afghanistan with the other terrorist groups, it relocated to Balakot after the fall of the Taliban and then moved to Peshawar and Muzaffarabad in PoK. By 2009, it formed a new headquarters in Bahawalpur in Pakistan's Punjab province, called Jamia Masjid Subhan Allah complex and also referred to as the Usman-o-Ali campus. According to reports, it is spread over 18 acres and includes a mosque, a madrasa and a walled complex that serves as a recruitment and training facility for its cadres.

Bahawalpur was also said to be a center for rest and recuperation for those fighting in Afghanistan during the US military presence in that country as it was away from areas targeted by America with drones and missiles. It is also close to the bases of several other terrorist groups with which JeM is believed to have a close association.

The Lashkar-e-Taiba, another major terrorist group operating in Kashmir also has a strong presence in Bahawalpur, though its headquarters are reported to be in Muridke. The complex belonging to JeM is believed to have been hit by India. Videos of the strike emerging on social media show a large blast and a resultant fireball in an urban area during night.

Pak army shielded terror camps: Intel

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

India's intelligence agencies gathered "irrefutable evidence" that the Pakistan army had been actively aiding and abetting terrorist organisations that were operating from multiple camps based in Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (PoK) and Punjab province regions.

Top Intel sources told The Tribune that the disclosures, which are part of a classified intelligence, suggested that elements within the Pakistani military establishment — particularly the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) — provided a complex web of logistical support, funding, training and safe haven to terrorist groups like Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM).

India, in a bold and calculated move, launched Operation Sindoor, a series of precision airstrikes targeting nine terror camps across Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK).

The airstrikes were aimed to dismantle infrastructure linked to groups like JeM and LeT. However, the most politically explosive dimension of Operation Sindoor was the direct attribution of complicity

by the Pakistan army in supporting terrorist infrastructure.

"This is not the first time such an accusation has been levelled, but the timing and scale of Operation Sindoor highlighted that India has decided to act on this long-standing intelligence assessment," sources said.

Notably, the proximity of some of the terrorist camps to known military installations and cantonments reinforced the Indian Intelligence agencies' suspicions that they were being "deliberately shielded" by the Pakistan army. In several cases, militants were seen using army infrastructure as cover or enjoying unfettered access to restricted zones.

"There is no plausible deniability left. You don't have terror camps mushrooming next to army barracks without the knowledge and active support of the military," the source said.

Notably, the Indian Government has also circulated intelligence dossiers to major powers outlining the links between the Pakistan army and the targeted groups. These documents included communication intercepts, satellite imagery and financial transaction trails.



The site where a fighter jet crashed near Akalia Kalan village in Bathinda on Wednesday. PAVAN SHARMA

Unidentified aircraft crashes in Bathinda; civilian killed, 9 hurt

SUKHMEET BHASIN
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BATHINDA, MAY 7

A civilian was killed and nine others injured when an unidentified aircraft crashed and caught fire in Akalia Kalan village of Bathinda district in the early hours of Wednesday.

The deceased has been identified as Govind, a farm labourer from Charkhi Dadri in Haryana. The crash occurred around 1.30 am in harvested wheat fields, about 500 m from the

nearest residential area. According to eyewitnesses, several farm labourers were at the local grain market late Tuesday night when they saw an aircraft flying unusually low. Moments later, it crashed into the fields.

As some villagers approached the burning wreckage, an explosion occurred, killing Govind on the spot and injuring nine others.

Authorities have cordoned off the area, and an investigation is underway to determine the cause of the crash

and the identity of the aircraft. There is no official word yet from the Ministry of Defence, the Indian Air Force or the Army.

An eyewitness claimed that both pilots ejected safely and landed in Ganga village, located 5-6 km from the crash site. "One part of the aircraft fell in another area of the village, while the other landed in the fields," he said.

"Thankfully, the aircraft crashed in the fields. A major tragedy was averted," said a villager.

BSF cancels leave, ups surveillance

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Amid heightened tensions along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir and the India-Pakistan frontier in Punjab, Rajasthan and Gujarat following Operation Sindoor, the Border Security Force (BSF) has cancelled leaves of its personnel and bolstered reinforcements along the western border.

Senior BSF officials said that a certain percentage of personnel are typically on leave across battalions, but these personnel are now being recalled with immediate effect.

Surveillance has been significantly enhanced using the latest technologies, including drones, 3D cameras, smart fencing systems, bullet cameras and CCTVs, particularly in vulnerable stretches of the western frontier, sources revealed.

To counter infiltration attempts, BSF deploys drone-penetrating radars in the Jammu and Punjab sectors to detect and neutralise underground tunnels used by terrorists to enter Indian territory. With tensions continuing to escalate, the force will be focusing specifically on detecting and destroying such tunnels in order to prevent any infiltration along the western front.

Pak spreading lies to shift focus from attack: India

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The government attacked Pakistan for spreading a "full-blown disinformation offensive" related to the action. Official sources said it was a desperate attempt by Pakistan to shift focus from Operation Sindoor and control the narrative with "a barrage of lies and digital theatrics". Citing several fake news items emanating from Pakistan, sources said pro-Pakistan social media handles and even influential political figures were deliberately spreading fake news, fabricating stories of miraculous military victories and heroic retaliation that simply did not exist.

Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Asif also made a baseless claim that Indian soldiers were captured during the recent military strikes, a statement that was later debunked and retracted. — TNS

Chopper pilot & unit commander: Women officers at briefing wield years of experience

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Two women officers — Col Sofiya Qureshi and Wing Commander Vyomika Singh — who took to the podium with Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri to address the media about the military strikes in Pakistan — have held significant operational roles during their careers, and their presence, officials clarified, was not symbolic.

"These officers are not props to showcase women empowerment in the armed forces," an official stated.

Col Qureshi, from the Corps of Signals, currently commands a Signals unit. Commissioned in 1999, the Vadodra-born officer was first decorated during Oper-



Col Sofiya Qureshi



Wing Commander Vyomika Singh

ation Parakram in 2002, following the Parliament attack. She was also recognised for flood relief operations in the North-East.

In 2006, she served as a UN Military Observer in Congo, where she was commended for reuniting a five-year-old

girl with her family and received the Force Commander's Commendation on UN Day. She has since held UN postings in Cambodia, Bangladesh and twice in South Africa, and has also trained UN peacekeepers.

Col Qureshi gained inter-

national attention in 2016 when she became the first and only woman officer to lead an Army contingent at the multi-national 'Force 18' military exercise hosted by India. She was also awarded a certificate of appreciation by the US Vice-Chief of Army Staff for her role in the Pacific Army Management Seminar in Delhi. Beyond uniformed service, she has conducted motivational workshops for youth, especially girls, in Kashmir and West Bengal.

Wing Commander Singh, commissioned into the Indian Air Force in 2004, is a seasoned helicopter pilot with over 2,500 flying hours on Chetak and Cheetah helicopters. She has operated across terrains — from the high mountains of

the North-East to the coastal stretches of Gujarat.

She has led multiple casualty evacuation missions in the Kashmir valley, especially while posted at a key airbase in northern India. In 2014, she participated in flood relief operations in Jammu & Kashmir. In 2020, she spearheaded a critical air evacuation mission in Arunachal Pradesh under extreme weather conditions.

In 2021, she was part of an all-women tri-services mountaineering expedition to Manirang (21,650 ft) and received the Chief of Air Staff Commendation that same year. She also holds the prestigious 'Master Green' flying rating — the highest for IAF pilots — making her the first woman to receive it.

BEFITTING REPLY TO TERRORISTS



Those whom we lost will never return. But this action by the Army, this powerful response, is a true tribute to their sacrifice. The terrorists did not just attack individuals, they attacked the soul of India. And India has shown them their place

— ANUSHKA MONE, WIFE OF VICTIM ATUL MONE



PM Modi has kept his promise of pursuing the attackers and their backers 'to the ends of the earth'. Indian armed forces action has sent a clear message to the world that India will hunt the terrorists and their supporters down

— ASHANYA, SHUBHAM DWIVEDI'S WIFE



India's brave soldiers have given a befitting reply to terrorists. Operation Sindoor has ensured the death of the terrorists and the destruction of their camps. It is a great victory for the country. The world recognised the valour of India.

— MOHAN CHARAN MAJHI, ODISHA CHIEF MINISTER

1st military strike in Pak Punjab since 1971

AJAY BANERJEE

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7 When the Indian military struck at several locations across Pakistan early on Wednesday, it was for the first time since the 1971 war that the armed forces had targeted sites in Punjab province of the neighbouring country.

This is significant because earlier strikes or skirmishes, including the Kargil conflict, did not inflict any damage to the Pakistan side of Punjab - the heartland of the country.

The Pakistan military and the ruling class largely hail from the province.

In 1999, the Kargil conflict was restricted largely to the Ladakh region, around an axis of 168 km near Drass and Kargil. In 2016, the surgical strikes following the Uri terror attack were conducted in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir.

After the terror attack at Pulwama in 2019, the airstrikes were limited to Balakot, which falls in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province. Reacting to the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack that killed 26 persons, the military targeted sites in the heart of Pakistan after 54 years.

In all, four of the nine camps targeted by the mili-



The site of an Indian missile attack at Muridke town in Pakistan's Punjab province. AP/PTI

POLITICAL AND MILITARY HEARTLAND OF PAKISTAN

■ Previous conflicts - Kargil 1999, surgical strikes 2016, Balakot 2019 - were restricted to regions like PoK, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

■ Punjab is Pakistan's political and military heartland, making the strike by the Indian armed forces strategically notable

■ Among the nine camps hit, four were in the province, including Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) headquarters in Bahawalpur

tary are in Punjab, Pakistan. These are Sarjal camp, Sialkot, which is located about six kilometre from the International Border opposite Samba-Kathua; Mehmoona Joya camp, Sialkot, located around 12

km from the IB near Sialkot; Markaz Taiba, Muridke, which is around 25 km from the IB; and Markaz Subhan camp, Bahawalpur, located around 100 km from the IB was the headquarters of the Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM).

This camp was used for recruitment, training and indoctrinating JeM terrorists. The facility was frequently visited by terrorist commanders, including Masood Azhar, who issued directions to cadre from the camp.

Airstrikes eliminate key LeT, Jaish men

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

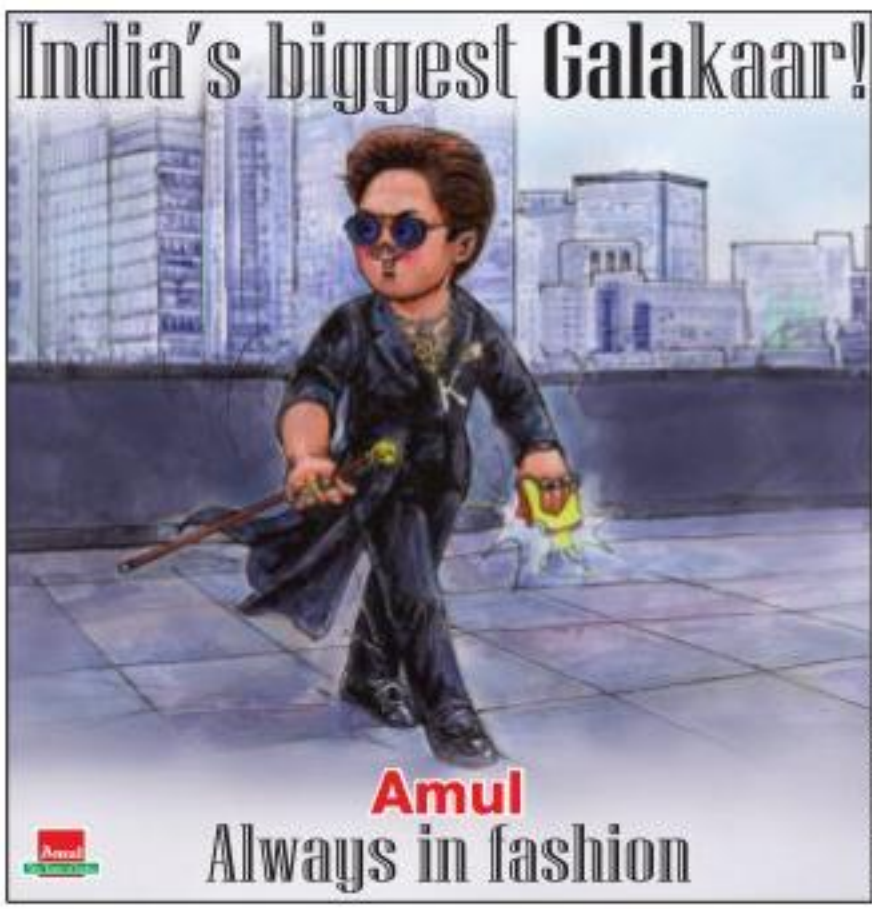
India's targeted airstrikes on nine terror camps across Pakistan have dealt a severe blow to the operations of banned terrorist outfits Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) and Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM), with intelligence agencies indicating that over 70 extremists were killed in the coordinated operation. More than 70 terrorists were neutralised and over 60 others injured in the strikes," official sources said. Among the casualties were several mid- to high-ranking LeT and JeM field commanders, including trainers and logistics officers who had long operated with impunity from Pakistan-administered territory.

Sources said the primary objective was to dismantle cross-border terrorism infrastructure, including command centres, recruitment hubs, ammunition depots and

training camps. Post-operation intelligence assessments indicated that key communication nodes were also destroyed, severely disrupting the groups' operational planning and coordination with sleeper cells in India.

Several of the targeted camps were known staging grounds for recent infiltration attempts along the Line of Control. A notable strike in Bahawalpur hit a key JeM ideological training centre linked to its leadership. Satellite imagery later confirmed the compound's destruction. Similarly, heavily fortified facilities in Muzaffarabad and Bhimber were reduced to rubble, underscoring the precision and impact of the Indian Air Force's payloads.

The Indian security establishment conducted real-time damage assessment during the strikes, confirming that the destruction was largely confined to the intended compounds.



Befitting response: Shah briefs CMs of border states

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Hours after Indian forces targeted nine terrorist bases across the LoC in Operation Sindoor, Home Minister Amit Shah held a meeting with Chief Ministers, DGPs and chief secretaries of states bordering Pakistan and Nepal on Wednesday. He stated that India had delivered an appropriate response to the neighbouring country.

Shah emphasised that Operation Sindoor was a decisive retaliation (to Pahalgam attack), sending a strong global message. The operation, launched by the Indian armed forces based on specific intelligence, struck nine terrorist-linked locations on the intervening night of May 6-7, destroying key infrastructure.

The meeting included CMs of J&K, Punjab, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Sikkim and West Bengal, along with the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh and Jammu and Kashmir. Shah directed states to ensure uninterrupted essential services such as hospitals and fire brigades and maintain smooth supply chains for critical goods.

He instructed the state governments to keep SDRF civil defence, home guards and NCC personnel on high alert. Additionally, he urged CMs to monitor anti-national propaganda on social media and counter misinformation.

Senior MHA officials, including the Home Secretary, IB Director and Director Generals of the BSF and the CISE, attended the meeting.

INDIA RETALIATES

Picture abhi baki hai, wams Gen Naravane

NEW DELHI: Former Army Chief General Manoj Naravane issued a cryptic statement on Wednesday, "Abhi picture baki hai" (The picture is still incomplete)", hours after India carried out targeted airstrikes inside Pakistan. His post on X sparked intense speculation, hinting that "Operation Sindoor" may not be over yet. Naravane's statement suggests that the military action could be the beginning of a broader strategy to counter terrorism emanating from across the border. Defence experts echoed his sentiment, calling for sustained pressure on Pakistan to dismantle terror networks operating from its territory. TNS

25 flight routes from Indian airspace to Pak shut

MUMBAI: India on Wednesday closed nearly 25 flight routes that allow planes to enter Pakistan through the Indian airspace until further notice, according to officials. Against the backdrop of rising tensions, many foreign airlines have been avoiding the Pakistan airspace. Officials said the closure would also mean that foreign carriers that were overflying Pakistan airspace after exiting the Indian airspace would have to take longer routes to their destinations, they said. PTI

Traders create war rooms for free ration, drugs

JAMMU: As panic buying gripped parts of Jammu amid heightened tensions along the border, the Jammu Traders' Federation on Wednesday appealed for calm, assuring the public that there is no shortage of essential supplies. The federation announced reactivation of "war rooms" to distribute free ration and medicines to border residents. "People are buying in panic due to fear (of war), but there is no need to worry. We have enough ration to last three months," said president of the Jammu Traders' Federation Deepak Gupta. PTI

Advisory on sharing security content online

JAMMU: The J&K Police on Wednesday warned people against sharing any content related to security deployment, operational movements or sensitive locations on social media platforms from here. "All citizens of district Jammu are strictly advised not to share, upload, or circulate any content related to security deployments, operational movements or sensitive locations on social media or any other public platforms. Such actions pose a serious threat to public safety and national security, and will attract strict legal action," the police said. PTI

Air India deplanes passenger amid alert

BENGALURU: Amid tight security, a passenger was deboarded from an Air India flight at Kempegowda International Airport here on Wednesday evening. The passenger was travelling on flight AI-2820 from Bengaluru to New Delhi. Before the flight could take off, the passenger was offloaded due to security-related concerns. An official said: "We are aware of the incident but will not share any details." PTI

PRAISE FOR ACTION ACROSS PARTY LINES



The Modi govt is resolved to give befitting response to any attack on India and its people. Operation Sindoor is Bharat's response to the brutal killing of our innocent brothers in Pahalgam. Firmly committed to eradicating terrorism. Proud of our armed forces. - AMIT SHAH, HOME MINISTER



We salute the courage, determination and patriotism of our brave soldiers. Complete support from the Congress party and the Congress Working Committee... We will put all our strength behind our soldiers to protect the country. - RAHUL GANDHI, CONG MP & LS LEADER OF OPNN



At this hour, we all should together fight the battle against terrorism and there should not be any differences among us. We will continue to be in touch with each other and continue monitoring the situation... People shouldn't panic due to mock drills. - MAMATA BANERJEE, WB CM & TRINAMOOL CHIEF

Oppn rallies behind govt, hails armed forces for op

ADITI TANDON

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The national response against Pakistan on Wednesday evoked an overwhelming sense of unity across the political divide in the country. Parties leaning left, right, and centre set aside their differences to fully back the armed forces.

Unlike the 2019 post-Pulwama terror attack airstrikes, which were met with suspicion by the broad opposition, Operation Sindoor attracted complete consensus. The Congress, Left Parties, SP, RJD, Aam Aadmi Party, and regional leaders, including DMK's MK Stalin and NCP SP's Sharad Pawar, among others, congratulated the armed forces for their decisive response.

Leaders of the Opposition in both Houses, Mallikarjun Kharge (Rajya Sabha) and Rahul Gandhi (Lok Sabha), saluted the forces, as did Samajwadi Party's Akhilesh Yadav, RJD's Tejashwi Yadav and NCP SP's Sharad Pawar. Pawar rang up PM Modi and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to hail their leadership



Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge with Rahul Gandhi, KC Venugopal and Priyanka Gandhi in New Delhi. TRIBUNE PHOTO: MANAS RANIAN BHUI

and the military action.

Kharge emphasised India's unwavering national policy against all forms of terrorism emanating from Pakistan and PoK. "We are extremely proud of our Indian armed forces. We applaud their resolute resolve and courage," he said. Ahead of the all-party meeting on Thursday, Kharge stressed that national unity and solidarity were the need of the hour, affirming the Congress's full support for the armed forces. In a post on X, Rahul said, "Proud of our Armed Forces. Jai Hind!"

TMC supremo and West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee

succinctly tweeted, "Jai Hind, Jai India," while Sharda Pawar praised the military strikes. "Congratulations to all the soldiers who maintained India's sovereignty," he wrote on X.

SP chief Akhilesh Yadav said, "Valour has won," while AAP chief Arvind Kejriwal expressed pride in the Army and its soldiers. Significantly, Left parties CPI and CPM also backed the military response. "CPI believes that India had little choice but to respond firmly," it said. The CPM Polit Bureau described the strikes against terror infrastructure in Pakistan and PoK as "focused".

Justice served: Relatives of Pahalgam victims laud action

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

A sense of satisfaction and relief was collectively shared by the families of Pahalgam terror attack victims after the Indian armed forces carried out missile strikes in Pakistan and PoK.

Sumathi, the mother of Manjunath Rao from Shivamogga in Karnataka who was killed in Pahalgam, said she did not want her son's "sacrifice" to go to waste.

"We had faith that Modi will make the right decision. Nothing should happen to innocents, but those who try to oppress or indulge in rogue actions against us should not be spared. My son's sacrifice should not go to waste. I feel that the right decision has been taken," Sumathi said.

Bharath Bhushan from Bengaluru, who was visiting Pahalgam with his wife and three-year-old son, was also shot dead by terrorists.

Bhushan's father Chanaveerappa hailed the armed

forces' response. "The name, 'Operation Sindoor' is correct because they have removed the 'tilak' of many women. That's a good step. Government has done a good job." Jennifer, wife of Sushil Nathaniel, said the four terrorists involved in the Pahalgam attack should be killed. "Whatever has happened is right, but those four people should also be eliminated," she said.

Sushil Nathaniel, an Indore resident, was holidaying with his wife in Pahalgam. Arathy, daughter of N Ramachandran from Kochi, expressed hope that the operation would bring some relief to the families of the victims.

"Let all Indians see comfort in this operation. Let Operation Sindoor bring some comfort and relief to all the families of victims," Arathy added. Childhood friends Santosh Jagdale and Kaustubh Ganbote from Pune also lost their lives in Pahalgam. Their families described

'Operation Sindoor' as a fitting tribute to the victims. "Through Operation Sindoor, a tribute has been paid to those who were killed in the Pahalgam attack. I am thankful to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for carrying out Operation Sindoor. I am thankful that our emotions have been understood.

"Our sindoor was wiped out by terrorists but today I am very happy that under Operation Sindoor, our armed forces destroyed terrorists' bases in Pakistan," said Pragati Jagdale, wife of Santosh.

Sangita Ganbote, wife of Kaustubh, said that they were extremely happy that India avenged the Pahalgam terrorist attack in which she and other women lost their "sindoor". "We were all waiting to see when India would avenge the terrorist attack. Today, the Indian armed forces gave a befitting reply to the cowardly attack in Pahalgam," she said. - PTI



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GULAB CHAND KATARIA
Governor of Punjab and Administrator Union Territory, Chandigarh & President Punjab State Red Cross

MESSAGE

I take immense pleasure in extending my heartiest congratulations to the people of Punjab on the occasion of World Red Cross Day of 8th May, which happens to be the birth Anniversary of Sir Jean Henry Dunant, the founder of Red Cross.

The epoch making occasion stands out as a beacon of hope and compassion — a humanitarian organization committed to serving mankind without any discrimination based on caste, creed, race, religion or region.

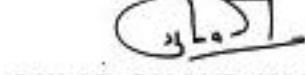
The theme of this year's World Red Cross Day is "On the Side of Humanity".

Humanity can be interpreted in many ways — but at its core, it means showing kindness, care, and compassion to others. Intelligence, creativity, empathy, and compassion are key attributes of a humane society, and compassion remains its cornerstone. When we help those in distress, driven by committed adherence towards spirit of humanity, we reaffirm our pledge to the collective good and uphold the founding principles of the Red Cross.

It gives me great pleasure to note that the Punjab State Red Cross and its District Branches are actively fulfilling this noble mission, reaching out to the underprivileged and bringing meaningful change to countless lives across the state applying the healing touch and tender caress of a helping hand.

On this momentous occasion, I fervently appeal to all citizens to come forward and support the Red Cross in all its noble endeavours.

Let us work together to uphold the cherished values of human dignity, alleviate suffering, and extend all possible assistance to the deprived ones at the grassroots level. Let us also stand united in our collective fight against drug addiction, to build a healthier and stronger Punjab.


GULAB CHAND KATARIA

Mega civil defence mock drill in state

Control room set up in Panchkula under ‘Operation Abhyas’

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, MAY 7
Additional Chief Secretary, Home, Sumita Misra, monitored the civil defence mock drill held in the state today from the control room set up in Panchkula under ‘Operation Abhyas’.

She also took detailed information regarding phone calls on ‘Dial 112’ and gave necessary instructions to officials. Stating that the drill was to prepare oneself for an emergency, Misra appealed to people to follow the information given from time to time by district administration officials and be ready to deal with any exigency. She said there was no reason to panic and the situation was peaceful at present.

Talking to the media, she said the mock drill was conducted in the entire state, and the live feed was monitored from the control room. At several places, the drills had been conducted in malls, while at others, the exercise had been conducted in district secretariats.

She said Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini had directed that the mock drill carried out today would be conducted regularly on May 7 every year to ensure the ‘3Ps’ — preparation, precaution and no panic. Misra urged residents to follow the dos and don’ts, as communicated by the district administration.

District-wise measures

As the mock drills were conducted across the state, sirens echoed at exactly 4 pm at the designated places, triggering swift, coordinated drills under the watchful eyes of the district authorities.

Meanwhile, lapses were found during the mock-drill exercise carried out at Rohtak. The Mini-Secretariat building was urgently evacuated as part



Fire officials rescue a person at the Mini-Secretariat as part of the mock drill in Panipat on Wednesday.

CONGRESS POSTPONES ‘SAVE THE CONSTITUTION’ CAMPAIGN

Bhupinder Singh Hooda, a former Chief Minister, has postponed his ‘Save the Constitution’ campaign. Saluting the valour of the Army, he said it was a true tribute to the innocent people killed in the terrorist attacks. He said the fight against terrorism must be taken to its logical conclusion.

of the drill. Some sirens and fire extinguishers were found to be non-functional. Gaps were also seen in the positioning of ambulances. It also started raining just before the time fixed for the exercise, which added to the challenges of the rescue workers and volunteers.

Rohtak ADC Narendra Kumar said a report regarding the lacunae would be sent to the state authorities in order to iron out the problems and improve preparedness.

In Karnal, several emergency services, including fire brigades, ambulances, and SDRF units, police and trained volunteers were involved at five major loca-

tions — Mini-Secretariat, Old Bus Stand, UHBVN building, government college and the Public Health office near the old vegetable market.

From multi-storey evacuations to emergency hospital transfers, the drill was aimed at mimicking real-life disaster response dynamics. The response time of emergency vehicles, including fire brigade, ambulance, and rescue teams was from 8-10 minutes.

In Kaithal, such drills were carried out at four locations, including the Ambala road slums, Solumajra Silo, the Pundri MC building and the Kangthali power plant. A control room has been set up at

room no. 324 of the Mini-Secretariat, reachable via toll-free number 18001801332.

In Sirsa, a mock drill was held at the Mini-Secretariat under ‘Operation Abhyas’ to assess the emergency response. A fire simulation prompted building evacuation and emergency teams rescued six people from smoke-filled areas. Similar drills occurred at sub-divisional levels. A 10-day ban on drones and UAVs was imposed around key locations for security.

In Yamunanagar, mock drills were conducted at several places, including the Mini-Secretariat, and Chhachhrauli, Bilaspur and Radaur.



BEFITTING REPLY

“The Army has given a befitting reply with ‘Operation Sindoor’ to those who wiped off the vermilion of our mothers and sisters. I congratulate the Prime Minister and the Army for destroying the hideouts of terrorists.

Mohan Lal Badoli, BP STATE PRESIDENT



FULL SUPPORT TO ARMY, GOVT

“The entire nation stands firmly with the Army. The Opposition is supporting the government in every action taken against terrorism. In a show of unity against Pakistan, the Congress suspended all its programmes today.

Udal Bhan, STATE CONGRESS PRESIDENT



A well-lit street in a market during the blackout drill in Panipat. TRIBUNE PHOTO

Confusion mars blackout exercise in G’gram, F’bad; most parts stay lit

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GURUGRAM, MAY 7

Lack of clarity and information made the mock blackout in Gurugram and Faridabad a sheer failure.

The local authorities failed to sort things at their level as all street lights and park lights were fully functional. A majority of these utilise solar energy so they lit themselves. Not only this, restaurant, malls, clubs, other public places and houses failed to abide by the blackout instructions. While some blamed poor volume of sirens for the same, others said they were not properly familiarised with the instructions.

“We just heard the word ‘mock drill’ as information related to it was being forwarded on WhatsApp, but we had no idea as to what exactly we were

DIDN’T HEAR SIREN, ALARM: ROHTAK RESIDENTS

■ The blackout alarm sounded by the local administration on Wednesday evening evoked a mixed response in Rohtak.

■ The district administration claimed that the city plunged into darkness as soon as the siren went off at 7.50 pm. However, the lights at many houses, shops, offices and other commercial establishments remained on between 7.50 am and 8 pm. A majority of residents said they did not hear any siren or alarm for the blackout.

supposed to do. If we are in a situation of war, shouldn’t we be better informed? I am a 70-year-old man; not too much into social media. I had no clue about the blackout and thought there was a power cut. The authorities need to take it seriously and keep us better prepared,” said RS Dahiya, a resident of Sector 17 in Gurugram.

Panipat encounters similar situation

Not just the twin NCR cities, even in Panipat, the blackout failed as all markets were

opened and the vehicular movement was also observed on the NH-44 and local roads.

However, at 7.54 pm street lights were switched off and in some areas, people also switched off their lights, but it failed in the city. Even the power supply data by the power corporation was sufficient to prove the failure of the blackout in the city.

As per the data, the corporation recorded reduction in power load from 570 mega watt (MW) to 494 M.

Charkhi Dadri man killed in Bathinda crash

ROHTAK, MAY 7

One of the persons killed in the freak mishap following the plane crash in Bathinda district of Punjab on Tuesday night has been identified as Govind (32), a resident of Charkhi Dadri.

Govind had gone for loading grains in Goniana grain market. He, along

32-yr-old had gone to load grains at a market in Punjab

with other workers, was sleeping when he heard the sound of the crash. Govind’s friend Vikas said he went to take a look at the crash site in the fields, when a blast took place, killing him.

Two persons, including Govind, were killed and nine injured in the mishap. — TNS

Aptly named, operation a message of justice, says Lt Narwal’s family



PARVEEN ARORA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

KARNAL, MAY 7

Emotions ran high at the residence of Naval officer Lt Vinay Narwal, killed in the Pahalgalam terror attack on April 22, after news broke out of the airstrikes on nine terror targets in Pakistan.

For the grieving family, Operation Sindoor was not just a military offensive, but a message of justice.

“When my son was killed, everyone asked me what I wanted. I had said I have faith in the government that it will do something. Today, the government has delivered. The strikes on Pakistan’s terror camps have not just caused them losses, but also instilled fear in their hearts,” said Rajesh Narwal, father of Lt Narwal.

“Operation Sindoor is a powerful message. The ter-



Lt Vinay Narwal’s wife Himanshi (left) and sister Srishthi during his prayer meet at Karnal. FILE PHOTO

rorists who destroyed the sacred bond of our daughters and sisters, who snatched away their ‘suhaag’ (husbands), have been shown the might of India. The strikes bring some solace to our wounded hearts,” he added.

“I am thankful to the gov-

ernment for this action. I bless our soldiers from the bottom of my heart. What they have done today is not ordinary—it is a courageous and necessary step. We stand by our armed forces,” said Lt Narwal’s mother Asha.

All family members echoed

her sentiment. “This is the kind of response that was needed. The entire country stands behind this decision. We pray that such barbaric acts never recur. We salute our soldiers, and are with them in every way,” said Maya, a relative of the young officer.

Let it be beginning of end of terrorism, says wife

KARNAL, MAY 7

Himanshi, wife of Lt Vinay Narwal, today came forward in support of the strikes on terror camps and urged the government that such steps must continue until terrorism was eradicated.

An emotional Himanshi said, “My husband was in the defence forces, and when he joined, he wanted to ensure that innocent lives are not lost and that there is no place for hatred or terror. This operation signifies his spirit that terrorism and hatred will not be tolerated by India. I am thankful to the Union government and our forces for taking this action, but I request them that it must not stop here. It should be the beginning of the end of terrorism in our country.”

“I can deeply relate to the name of ‘Operation Sindoor’.

The Pahalgalam attack completely changed my life. Many others have also suffered immensely. This operation signifies that such tragic incidents will not be allowed to happen again. I want terrorism to be completely wiped out from our land,” she said.

Holding back tears, she said those who had destroyed families and took innocent lives must face the harshest punishment.

Responding to the online trolling after her emotional appeal of unity, peace and communal harmony, she said, “I cannot change anyone’s mindset. There should be no hatred. I know my intentions—I only wanted that no wrong should be done to innocent people. Hatred has no place in society, and those who spread it have no right to live.” — TNS

12 IAS officers transferred in state

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CHANDIGARH, MAY 7

The Haryana Government has issued transfer and posting orders of 12 IAS officers and one IFS officer with immediate effect.

TL Satyaprakash, Commissioner and Secretary, Mines and Geology Department, and CEO, Drone Imaging and Information Systems of Haryana Limited, will also hold the charge of the Transport Department as Commissioner and Secretary.

IFS officer also shifted with immediate effect

CG Rajini Kaanthan is posted as Commissioner and Secretary, Haryana Human Resources Department; Secretary, Haryana General Administration; Secretary, Finance Department; and Secretary, Central Committee of Examinations.

Shekhar Vidyarthi will serve as Commissioner and Secretary, Archives Department, and DG, Fire Services.

IFS officer S Narayanan will serve as the DG, Higher Education, and Secretary, Higher Education while Anna Tasneem will serve as the Director, Foreign Cooperation Department. Rahul Hooda will serve as Special Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management Department.

Sachin Gupta will serve as the Administrator, HSVP, Panchkula, and Additional Director, Urban Estate, Panchkula, while Ayush Sinha goes as Commissioner, Municipal Commissioner of Manesar.

600 bags of subsidised urea seized, 1 nabbed

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YAMUNANAGAR, MAY 7

The district police have arrested an Uttar Pradesh-based fertilizer dealer for his alleged involvement in the illegal supply of 600 bags of subsidised agriculture grade urea from the state to Yamunanagar.

The accused has been identified as Varun Goel of Meerut.

As per information, a team of the CM flying squad had seized 600 bags of subsidised agriculture grade urea from a truck caught near Maharaja Agrasain Chowk in Jagadhri on April 26.

As per bills (tax invoices)

issued by a UP-based firm, the said consignment was to be supplied to three fertilizer dealers in Yamunanagar.

However, submitting separate affidavits of their firms, the dealers of the three companies told the Agriculture Department that they had nothing to do with it.

Those bags of subsidised urea had been manufactured by KRIBHCO (Krishak Bharati Cooperative Limited) and it could be sold to farmers only through cooperative societies.

SHO Suresh Kumar said Varun was produced in a court in Jagadhri, following which he was sent to judicial custody.

40% hike in licence fee to serve liquor at restaurants

GURUGRAM, MAY 7

There will be few takers for liquor licence, with the state hiking the fee to serve liquor at a restaurant by almost 40%. The hike in excise policy for 2025-26 is expected to impact the night life of Gurugram, which has the highest number of restaurants and pubs serving liquor.

The Pub Association owners claim that they are already seeing a dip in patrons due to ‘bring your own booze’ (BYOB) outlets. And now, with a hike in licence fee, they will have to hike liquor charges, which will drive away customers, they said.

Restaurant owners say the cost of LAL5 (restaurant) licence has increased from Rs 18 lakh to Rs 25 lakh, and they are being asked to pay Rs 45 lakh for a 21-

month term. There is an additional Rs 20 lakh annual fee to operate between midnight and 2 am, and restaurants must now pay 20% of Rs 45 lakh (about Rs 9 lakh) if they wish to add extra counters or bars.

Restaurateurs warned that though the new policy intended to bring about parity and structure, it could adversely affect the hospitality sector. Several bar owners have demanded phased implementation, or a more flexible assessment model.

“The steep rise, coupled with increased procurement and compliance costs, will push up the prices of alcohol. Not many of us can afford it. People are already choosing BYOBs, and now with this hike, they will stop coming here. A majority of us

are thinking of not going in for a licence this year. The government should have hiked it in a phased manner,” said a restaurant owner.

Excise Department officials have defended the hike, saying it aimed to boost state revenues, crack down on illegal operators, and ensure transparency. “It’s a uniform policy meant to encourage responsible business practices,” said a senior official.

Rahul Singh, a trustee of the National Restaurant Association of India, said, “These changes impose a heavy financial burden on thousands of establishments and could discourage regulated, responsible drinking. We urge the government to hold a dialogue with industry to develop a sustainable policy.” — TNS

Man shoots sister in Sonepat village

SONEPAT, MAY 7

A woman was allegedly shot dead by her brother at Barwasni village of the district on Wednesday. He reportedly fired five shots at her.

The deceased has been identified as Preeti. As per information, she had an altercation with her brother, Paramjeet, after which he went out and brought a pistol and fired at her. She ran outside to save herself, but he again shot at her thrice. She died on the spot.

The assailant fled from the spot after committing the crime. Following the information, a police team led by ACP Jeet Singh reached the spot to inquire about the incident. Rajkumar, father of the

deceased, said in his complaint to the Sadar police that his daughter had married Sachin of Chhaju Garhi of Panipat district in 2019. Her husband had left her at her parents’ home around 40 days ago, alleging that she was involved with some man.

The complainant further said that Sachin also provoked his son against Preeti. He claimed that Paramjeet was notorious and had a criminal record. Sachin, along with his brother-in-law Vikas, who was in the police, was provoking his son to kill Preeti.

The Sadar police have registered a case against Paramjeet, Sachin and Vikas under various sections of the IPC. — TNS

Residents of border villages start moving to safer places; don't panic, says admn

No order by authorities on evacuation; officials counsel villagers in Ferozepur

ANIRUDH GUPTA

FEROZEPUR, MAY 7 Several residents of villages located along the International Border with Pakistan here started moving to safer places after India struck the terror infrastructure in the neighbouring country in early hours on Wednesday. Deputy Commissioner Deepshikha Sharma urged villagers not to panic, saying "no order had been issued to evacuate villages". She said the administration was fully alert and prepared to deal with all contingencies. Sharma said senior officials were also sent to counsel villagers.

Meanwhile, several residents were seen shifting to safer places at villages, including Tendi Wala, Kalu Wala, Gatti Rajo Ke, Jhugge Hazara, Navi Gatti Rajo Ke, Gatti Rahime Ke, Chandiwala, Basti Bhanewali and Jallo Ke. They were seen packing valuables besides food and clothes. Some of the villagers were spotted loading essential items on to tractor-trailers, bullock carts and even motorcycles.



Residents of a Ferozepur village leave their home with their belongings on a tractor-trailer.

A villager said he was persuaded by his relatives to shift to a "safer place", apprehending a "war-like situation" between the two countries in upcoming days. Kakku Singh (63), a resident of Bhambha Haji village in Mamdot, said he had come to meet her two married daughters at Kaluwala village. Kaluwala village is surrounded by the Sulej on three sides and Pakistan on the fourth.

"When I heard the news about the India's attack (on the terror infrastructure in Pakistan), I got worried about my daughters and their families. I am taking them to my home till the situation normalises," he said. Pachho Bai (58) of Tendi Wala village and her daughter-in-law were seen packing clothes. Pachho Bai said she was worried as her house was

situated just 2 km away from the border. "There are six members in our family. My husband and son have gone to work but we are planning to move to a relative's place," she said. Ranjit Singh, a resident of Gatti Rajo Ke village, said he would drop his three children at a relative's house at Ali Ke village. "My wife told me to shift them to a safer place.

Though there is no official order asking for evacuation, most villagers are either leaving their homes or sending their loved ones to safer places," he said. However, many still have decided to stay back, confident of the armed forces' capability to defend the country in case of a war. Surjeet Singh of Tendi Wala village said, "We are ready to support our soldiers as the first line of defence."

Residents recall past wars
Fazilka: A similar situation was witnessed at some of the Fazilka villages. At Pakka Chisti village, situated just 1 km from the International Border, octogenarian Ojha Singh recalled the 1965 and 1971 Wars. He said in 1971, they had to rush for life, leaving behind their livestock and belongings. He claimed that about 20 persons were made captive by Pakistan in the 1965 War. At Mohar Jamsher village, former Sarpanch Hansa Singh said several residents had shifted their valuables to their relatives while deciding to stay back until the authorities advised them to leave.

Amritsar village residents move kids, women out

PAWAN K JAISWAR/
MANMEET SINGH GILL
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

DAOKE (AMRITSAR), MAY 7 Families at Amritsar's Daoke village, which is surrounded by Pakistan on three sides, on Wednesday started shifting women and children to safer places. Residents said the move was necessitated by the tense situation on the India-Pakistan border as they might not have enough time to shift to another place if a war broke out.

A resident said in case of a war, the only road leading to the village was likely to come under heavy shelling, making their escape impossible. Kashmir Singh (70), recalling the 1965 and 1971 Wars with Pakistan, said they were accustomed to such circumstances. "As of now, the situation is still under control, but we would be shifting women and children to safer places," he said, adding that the Border Security Force (BSF) and the police had not yet asked them to shift. He said in case of a war, only men would stay put in the area to help the armed forces. Gurnam Singh, another resident, said the BSF had already prohibited the cultivation of the



Residents of Daoke village watch news on a mobile phone in Amritsar on Wednesday. PHOTO: SUNIL KUMAR

land falling between the barbed fence and the International Border.

Farmers a worried lot Meanwhile, anxiety gripped several other Amritsar and Tarn Taran villages, with residents hoping for improvement in the situation. Manddeep Singh, a resident of Shukarchak village in Tarn Taran, recalled the traumatic experience of the Kargil war in 1998, when people had to flee their homes. "Back then, people had fewer possessions and could easily relocate. But now, we've grown accustomed to a more comfortable life, and

leaving our homes would be a much more daunting task," he said. Farmers in border districts are too worried about the impact of tensions on their agricultural activities. With kharif sowing season set to begin in June, any prolonged military tension could affect logistics and labour availability. "If the tensions persist, kharif sowing could be delayed, or we might be forced to skip it," said Joginder Singh, a farmer. Rattan Singh, a farmer at Attari village, said, "Anxiety is palpable. Residents can only hope for improvement in the situation."

Civil-defence mock drills conducted across state

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, MAY 7 Extensive civil-defence mock drills and blackout exercises were conducted across the state on Wednesday. With heightened security concerns along the India-Pakistan border, district administrations took measures to test emergency preparedness and the public response mechanism.

In Ludhiana, officials simulated an air strike scenario at the Verka Milk Plant along the Ferozepur road, including a rescue operation by teams from the National Disaster Response Force, fire brigade, civil



A mock drill in progress at the Verka milk plant in Ludhiana on Wednesday. HIMANSHU MAHAJAN

defence and the Health Department. Mock drills were also conducted at the Indian Oil Depot and Government

Ranbir College in Sangrur. During the 30-minute drills, participants from various departments were told about the measures to be

taken during air attacks and other emergency situations. Blackout drill were also conducted at Guru Nanak Colony and Bhan Singh Colony in Faridkot; Old Grain Market, Shastri Market, Gurdwara Bazaar, Satta Bazaar and Main Bazaar in Kotkapura; and in the vicinity of Ram Lila Ground at Jaito. Deputy Commissioner Poonamdeep Kaur said, "The objective was to educate residents about emergency response protocols during unforeseen disasters or incidents." Similar drills were conducted across various towns in Amritsar, Bathinda, Ferozepur, Gurdaspur, Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Patiala and Mohali.

Amarinder warns Pak against any escalation

SANJEEV SINGH BARIANA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, MAY 7 Saying the action against Pakistan was overdue, BJP leader and former Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh on Wednesday warned Pakistan against any escalation in the situation. Talking to *The Tribune*, the former CM complimented the defence forces for precision strikes on terror camps inside Pakistan and Pakistan Occupied Kashmir. "The action was overdue as Pakistan had not been desisting from exporting terror into our country, like

killing 26 innocent tourists in Pahalgam," he said. The most important aspect of the action of the Indian forces was how precise it was in hitting its targets without any civilian or military casualties. "Our target was the terrorist training camps and we have hit them hard and that is it," he said. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann said the whole country was united in this fight against terrorism. "We are proud of our brave soldiers. A total of 140 crore citizens are standing with the Indian forces," he said.

INDIA RETALIATES



BSF suspends access to retreat ceremony
Amritsar: The retreat ceremony at the Attari-Wagah border in Amritsar has been closed to spectators until further orders, a Border Security Force (BSF) official said. "Parade is closed" notice in English and Hindi languages has been pasted on boards along the passage leading to the spectators' gallery. "The step has been taken keeping in view the security of the guests. The customary flag-lowering ritual will be performed by the BSF, but visitors will not be allowed there," he said. TNS

Attack on Poonch gurdwara condemned
Amritsar: The Akal Takht and the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) has condemned Pakistan's retaliatory shelling in Poonch, where civilians, including Sikhs, were killed and the Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha was hit. Amrik Singh (raagi), Amarjeet Singh (retired soldier) and Ranjit Singh (shopkeeper) were among those killed. There were also reports that Sikh woman Ruby Kaur was killed in the Mankote area. Many other civilian casualties have also come to light in Poonch. Akal Takht's officiating Jathedar Giani Kuldeep Singh Gargaj offered prayers for the departed souls. TNS

PTU postpones exams till May 10
Jalandhar: Following a decision by Guru Nanak Dev University this evening, JK Gujral Punjab Technical University has also announced to postpone the ongoing exams. A notice by the Controller of Examination of the university said: "With the approval of the competent authority, it is hereby notified that the ongoing semester examinations are postponed from May 8 to 10 due to unforeseen circumstances. From May 12 onwards, the exams will be conducted as per the notified date sheet. The dates for the postponed exams will be notified shortly." TNS

IN BRIEF

Govt orders transfer of one IAS, 55 PCS officers
Chandigarh: The Punjab Government transferred one IAS and 55 PCS officers on Wednesday. These officers have been posted as Sub Divisional Magistrates in the Transport Department or as Chief Minister's Field Officers in various districts. — TNS

PPSC chief takes oath
Chandigarh: Governor Gulab Chand Kataria administered the oath of office to newly appointed PPSC chief Major General Vinayak Saini (Retd) in the presence of the CM. — TNS

Govt to appoint 'Kisan Mitras'
Chandigarh: The government is all set to appoint 200 Kisan Mitras (Friends of farmer) to encourage farmers to shift from paddy to maize, with a target to cover three lakh acres under maize. — TNS

HC restrains state from interfering in BBMB functioning

Told to implement decision on release of 4,500 cusec additional water to Haryana

SAURABH MALIK
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, MAY 7 The Punjab and Haryana High Court has restrained Punjab and its functionaries, including police personnel, from interfering in the day-to-day functioning, operation and regulation of the Bhakra Nangal Dam and Lohand Control Room water regulation offices managed by the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB). The state was also directed to abide by the decision taken at a meeting held under the Union Home Secretary's Chairmanship on May 2 to release 4,500 cusec additional water to Haryana over a period of eight days to meet its



urgent requirement. The Division Bench of Chief Justice Sheel Nagu and Justice Sumeet Goel observed that the legal framework, particularly the BBMB Rules, 1974, provided a clear alternative statutory remedy in case of any disagreement. "If the State of Punjab is not agreeable to any decision taken by the BBMB, it is free to invoke Explanation-II to Rule 7 of the 1974 rules by making a representation to the Central Government through the Chairman of the BBMB," the Bench noted, while clarifying

that no such representation had been made by Punjab. The Bench said Punjab ought to have represented before the Central Government. But it did not make such representation. The court also made it clear that Punjab was "always free to extend security" to the Bhakra Nangal Dam and BBMB personnel, but it could not interfere in the day-to-day functioning of the BBMB "so as to obstruct the operation and management of the Bhakra Dam and water-related works". The matter arose after the BBMB alleged interference in its functioning by the Punjab Police. Taking a serious view, the Bench asserted: "If this

allegation of the BBMB is correct, the deployment of police force for interfering in the management and functioning of the BBMB cannot be appreciated." The court, in its detailed order, took note of Additional Solicitor-General of India Satya Pal Jain's submissions that a meeting was convened by the Union Home Secretary on May 2. It was attended by senior officials of the Centre, BBMB, and partner states. A decision was taken to release 4,500 cusec extra water to Haryana for eight days. It was also agreed that the BBMB would compensate Punjab during the dam's filling period by meeting its additional requirements.

PANIC-BUYING: Jalandhar residents rush to buy groceries as tension escalated between India and Pakistan. SARABJIT SINGH

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Pahalgam payback

India gives stern warning to Pakistan

PAKISTAN and its notorious terror factories had it coming. A big red line was crossed when terrorists massacred unsuspecting tourists in Pahalgam on April 22; the targeted killings were aimed not only at disrupting hard-earned near-normalcy in Kashmir but also to exacerbate communal tensions. A fuming India hit back with a diplomatic and economic squeeze before going for the jugular with Operation Sindoor. A series of precision attacks by Indian jets struck at the heart of Pakistan's terror infrastructure, including training camps, launch pads and headquarters of the Jaish-e-Mohammed and Lashkar-e-Taiba. Both outfits have been in the crosshairs of Indian security agencies for decades, right from the Parliament attack (2001) to the Mumbai terror strikes (2008) and the Pulwama suicide bombing (2019).

New Delhi patiently waited for two weeks, expecting Islamabad to take action against terrorists and raze their camps. Instead, Pakistan preferred to remain in denial mode and even levelled allegations of false flag operations against India; reckless sabre-rattling by its ministers was another act of desperation. The clock was ticking, yet Pakistan was busy digging a hole for itself. Finally, it took India all of 25 minutes to tell its hostile, incorrigible neighbour in no uncertain terms — enough is enough.

The 'measured' and 'non-escalatory' strikes — which avoided Pakistani civilian, economic and military targets — have showcased India as a responsible regional power. Pakistan has been thoroughly exposed as a nation unwilling to shun cross-border adventurism despite having ample troubles at home. Pakistani Defence Minister Khawaja Asif has put the onus on India to de-escalate the situation. The ball, however, is clearly in the Islamabad-Rawalpindi court. Pakistan, now itself a blood-soaked victim of terrorism, must realise that its strategy to bleed India with a thousand cuts has become a millstone around its neck. The May 7 message is loud and clear — provoke India at your own peril. The question is: Will Pakistan see reason at long last or continue to follow a suicidal course?

Not just a name

Op Sindoor's message steeped in symbolism

IN codenaming India's precision strike against terrorist hideouts across the Line of Control as Operation Sindoor, the Modi government has done more than avenge the lives lost in the Pahalgam massacre — it has offered a cultural and emotional balm, a message steeped in symbolism. *Sindoor*, worn by married Hindu women in many parts of the country, is not just a cosmetic ritual. It is a sacred thread of identity, of love, of continuity. When 26 men — most of them Hindu and many of them married — were brutally slain by terrorists in Pahalgam, they left behind a trail of grief that no strike can undo. Their widows' *sindoor*, in a cruel twist, was wiped off with violence. To name the retaliatory strike after this potent symbol is not just poetic — it is profoundly personal. It acknowledges the intimate human loss behind headline numbers. It elevates the mourning of the Pahalgam widows into national consciousness, reminding us that counter-terrorism is not just geopolitics, but a defence of homes, of relationships, of peace.

And, there's more. When the defence briefing for this operation was led by two women officers — Colonel Sofiya Qureshi and Wing Commander Vyomika Singh — it added another layer of meaning. The state, often accused of being insensitive to symbolic gestures, gave the microphone to the very gender that bears *sindoor* in some traditional Hindu rites, letting women reclaim not just the narrative, but also the strategic agency.

In an age of surgical strikes and swift digital headlines, Operation Sindoor stands out — as much for its military might as for the layers of thought stitched into its name. It's an ode to those left behind and a message to those who instigate: every act of terror will be answered — not just with bullets, but also dignity.

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LAHORE, FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1925

CR Das and the Congress

PURSHOTAM Das Tandon, one of the leading patriots of the United Provinces, is of the opinion that CR Das' offer to cooperate with the Government in the Council is a false issue which is inconsistent with the Congress ideal and activities. In the course of his address delivered at Lahore the other day, he explained why he considered that the bold step taken by the Swarajist leader was not justified by the circumstances of the country. It is not difficult to understand the particular aspect of the question on which Tandon lays much emphasis. The phrase, "cooperation with the Government", used by Das is enough to annoy and prejudice certain people — ardent patriots themselves — who have been fairly used to associate non-cooperation with anything concerning Swaraj. The Congress is committed to non-cooperation and hundreds and thousands of men, high and low, have made heavy sacrifices in its pursuit. Even the Swarajists who entered the Councils did so to non-cooperate with the Government and make it impossible for it to carry on administration. How, then, can they now offer to cooperate with the Government without withdrawing themselves from the Congress? It is perhaps natural that such thoughts should suggest themselves when one looks at one particular aspect of this question. But there are other aspects also to be considered. The Congress and the country did not adopt non-cooperation as the sole means of attaining Swaraj but adopted a constructive programme of a definite nature. Unfortunately, the country has not been able to carry out this programme satisfactorily.

OPINION

Tighten the noose around Pakistan

India must impose more severe costs on the neighbour for indulging in cross-border terrorism



TILAK DEVASHER
FORMER MEMBER, NATIONAL
SECURITY ADVISORY BOARD

INDIA is angry. The cold-blooded and communal killing of 26 innocent civilians in Pahalgam on April 22 led to the demand and expectation of retribution. Pakistan did not have to wait long for the kinetic action that it was sure would come. And it came in the wee hours of May 7 when nine terror facilities were targeted in precision attacks. These included the headquarters of the Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) at Bahawalpur and of the Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) at Muridke.

For India, the road ahead was clear. It had served notice on Pakistan after Uri in 2016 and Pulwama in 2019 that it would not accept terror in inter-state relations and there would be costs to pay. Pakistan seemed to have forgotten those lessons and resorted to a terror strike in Pahalgam. Hence, India now has to impose more severe costs on Pakistan for indulging in cross-border terrorism. The pain would have to be long-term and decisive. PM Narendra Modi has articulated this when he stated that the consequences would be unimaginable.

Earlier, India's non-kinetic retribution was swift, changing the rules of engagement. Within a day, several measures were taken, of which the key one was holding the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) in abeyance. Since Pakistan is totally dependent on the Indus and its tributaries for its irrigation needs, this measure sent severe shockwaves in that country. Simply put, Pakistan's water system is already on the verge of collapse and the country is staring at water scarcity. Further disruption of water supply would not only exacerbate the existing scarcity but have a cascading effect on crop yields and

food security. There would thus be long-term consequences for Pakistan's agriculture.

Trying to keep pace with India, Pakistan announced the suspension of bilateral accords, including the Simla Agreement, and also banned trade and use of its airspace with India, apart from reciprocating diplomatic measures announced by India. It also threatened that disruption of the IWT would be considered as an "act of war" and "responded with full force across the complete spectrum of national power."

The Pakistan narrative, as developed since April 22, has the following elements:

- (i) Pakistan has nothing to do with the Pahalgam incident.
- (ii) Indian allegations against Pakistan are without a iota of evidence.
- (iii) Pakistan demands an independent and transparent probe by neutral investigators.
- (iv) India is diverting attention from its inability to suppress the inalienable right of Kashmiris to self-determination, its security failures as well as its decades-long state terrorism and oppression.
- (v) India is seeking to suppress Kashmiris and defy UNSC resolutions on the issue.
- (vi) India needs to explain why such incidents usually coincide with high-profile visits.
- (vii) Holding the IWT in



OPERATION SINDOOR: Nine terror facilities were targeted in precision attacks. AP/PTI

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abeyance is unilateral and illegal. (viii) There are strong indications that India plans to launch military strikes on multiple targets despite the absence of any evidence of Pakistan being linked to the latest terrorist attack. (ix) After the attacks, Pakistan has claimed that all the targets were mosques, trying to give a communal colour to the strikes against terror facilities.

The above narrative has been peppered with the threat of the use of nuclear weapons by political leaders and officials.

The most interesting part of Pakistan's narrative was the assertion of Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar that as a non-permanent member of the UNSC, Islamabad pushed to water down

the language in the US-proposed statement, which originally named and shamed The Resistance Front, a proxy of proscribed terror group LeT. Deliberately calling it a 'Forum' formed by the local population, Pakistan rejected its classification as a terror group. If the 'Forum' (actually Front) was merely an Indian outfit, having no connection with the Pak-based LeT, why would Pakistan go out of the way to have the reference blocked?

Meanwhile, Pakistan is preparing international legal action over India holding the IWT in abeyance. It is working on at least three legal options that include raising the issue at the World Bank; taking action at the Permanent Court of Arbitration; or at the International Court of Justice in the Hague. A fourth diplomatic option is to raise the issue at the UNSC.

Though Pakistan sought to create the impression that the attack was due to an indigenous uprising, the targeting of Hindu tourists showed that it was a religiously motivated act of terror. The attack showed Pakistan's frustration since it sought to degrade the growing tourism sector that directly impacted the livelihoods of Kashmiris. It also sought to dent the Indian narrative of normalcy since the abrogation of Article 370. Finally, the

timing of the attack was significant since it coincided with the high-profile visit of US Vice-President JD Vance to India and PM Modi's trip to Saudi Arabia.

After the Pahalgam attack, there have been confessions from Pak ministers that clearly implicate Pakistan in the terror architecture it has created over the past few decades. Thus, Defence Minister Khawaja Asif, replying to a question during an interview with Sky News on April 25, said, "We have been doing this dirty work [backing and funding terror groups] for the United States for about three decades... and the West, including Britain..." Then, former Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto, in a conversation with Sky News on May 1, acknowledged the country's link with terror operatives, saying that Pakistan has a past.

A related development has been the sudden appointment of Lt Gen Muhammad Asim Malik as Pakistan's National Security Adviser (NSA), marking the first time a serving ISI chief holds both posts simultaneously. The post of NSA in Pakistan had been vacant since April 2022 when the civilian incumbent, Moeed Yusuf, vacated it following the ouster of Imran Khan as PM in a no-confidence motion. The dual appointment does signal a strengthening of power of the Pakistan Army, relegating civilians to the sidelines when there are heightened India-Pakistan tensions. The NSA, who holds the status of a federal minister, also heads the National Security Division, based in the Pak PMO.

This move is clearly an attempt by Pakistan Army Chief Gen Asim Munir to take charge of backchannel talks with India. It should suit India since the interlocutor on the Pak side would represent the real power-brokers, something that would be critical in times of crisis.

With India having taken out terror camps, it remains to be seen how Pakistan will react. Its options are limited since there are no terror camps in India. So what would Pakistan target?

Views are personal

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Retaliation is counter-poison and poison breeds more poison. — Mahatma Gandhi

Get the *awaam* on board in Kashmir

MAJ GEN RAJ MEHTA (RETD)

THE crack of an AK-47 rifle shot is a deafening 150-160 decibels at point-blank range. Opened recently for tourists with its remoteness touted as its USP, the Baisaran meadow — 7 km southeast of Pahalgam — had no security personnel deployed to protect the hundreds enjoying a balmy afternoon on the verdant greens. The nearest CRPF post was an hour's journey away on a precipitous, muddy pony track. The tourism authorities had fenced the meadow, constructing a ticketed entry gate. Armed terrorists in military fatigues and *salwar-kameez* virtually took control of the entry/exit gates and herded unsuspecting tourists to carry out targeted killings.

Questions arise about Pahalgam's draw as a tourism hub and about its safety for visitors keen on a sojourn in 'paradise'. Pahalgam is located at the junction of the fabled 'Y' shaped Lidder river valley at a height of 7,200 ft. It has been a 'village of shepherds' for Gujjar-Bakarwals. The two arms of the 'Y' are the rugged Aru sub-valley on your left and the Betaab sub-valley on your right. Aru is preferred by trekkers/mountaineers, while Betaab leads to Chandanwari — the roadhead for the Amarnath Yatra. Among the other sub-valleys is the hilltop Baisaran meadow with breathtaking views of Pahalgam and the forested mountains, snows, mists and mellow fruitfulness of the Lidder valley.

The security establishment has always been aware that this valley is hemmed in its west and southwest by densely forested and remote hills and valleys, of which Kokamag, Thal and Khirim stand out as terrorist havens, as also the Warwan valley in the east. This is where overground workers provide them logistics and information support without which terrorism cannot flourish. Security agencies know from bitter experience that large-scale 'jungle bashing' is a wasteful and demoralising activity, more so as technical intelligence is rendered void due to serious terrain constraints. Thus, a general search of remote areas is a strict no-no and is better executed by surprise domination of select areas for limited periods. It is thus human intelligence that remains the key to success in anti-terror operations.

Wise nations can at best plan to lower the terror frequency to acceptable limits by getting their *awaam* firmly on board. The *aam aadmi* intuitively supports the stronger side. We need to be stronger, and this demands as much if not more effort than linear retribution does. It also demands that retribution does not run counter to a people-friendly approach. The high-grade hard intelligence needed for successful anti-terror operations primarily comes from the people, an empirical truth often sacrificed at the altar of populist, headline-grabbing retaliation.

In his 2000 bestseller *The Tipping Point*, Malcolm Gladwell said small things can make a big difference. Apply his theory to Kashmir and you get the new 'normal' — adopting *Intezamia*, *Jawam aur Awaam* and *Aman hai Muqam* as the state policy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

World must stand firm with India

The Indian security forces need to be commended for carrying out Operation Sindoor by launching military strikes with precision on terror infrastructure existing across the border under Pakistan's patronage. No international body or country will come forward to save us from terrorism. We have to fight this war against terror on our own. The world witnessed how 9/11 terror accused Osama Bin Laden was staying safely in Pakistan and was ultimately eliminated by the US. Religious radicalisation and terrorism being nurtured on Pakistani soil is a serious threat to global peace. The international community should come forward and assist India in eradicating terror modules operating from Pakistan.

RAVI BHUSHAN, KURUKSHETRA

Strong message to Pakistan

The attack on terror camps in Pakistan through Operation Sindoor is a fitting response to the barbaric terror attack in Pahalgam, which claimed the lives of 26 innocent civilians. By avoiding military targets and focusing solely on terror infrastructure, India has upheld international norms while defending its sovereignty. This bold move, targeting terrorist camps in Pakistan and PoK, sends a strong message that India will not tolerate cross-border terrorism and that perpetrators of such heinous acts will be held accountable. The precision and restraint demonstrated during the operation highlight India's maturity and commitment to peace even in the face of grave provocation.

SANJAY CHOPRA, MOHALI

Befitting reply to terrorists

The destruction of nine camps of terror outfits like Jaish-e-Mohammed, Lashkar-e-Taiba and Hizbul Mujahideen by the Indian armed forces is the most befitting reply to the perpetrators of terrorism. The late-night military strike is only a small example of what India can do to save its people. What Pakistan-sponsored terrorists have done in Baisaran can't be forgotten and forgiven. Now the responsibility of maintaining peace is on Pakistan. If it escalates the attacks further, it must prepare itself to bear more such consequences in the form of counter strikes from our armed forces.

KIRTI WADHAWAN, KANPUR

Destroy more terror camps

The resolve of the nation, in general, and that of the armed forces, in particular, to teach a lesson to the perpetrators of terror in Pahalgam has yielded good results across the LoC and in Pakistan without any collateral damage. Our forces should continue to target more terror training camps till all of them are destroyed. The Indian Army must be prepared for a retaliatory attack as Pakistan and its so-called 'all-weather friend' China can never be trusted. This achievement has sent an unambiguous message to forces inimical to India.

COL SAJJAN KUNDU (RETD), HISAR

Thoughtful operation

It is commendable that the Indian armed forces avenged the Pahalgam terror attack by destroying nine terrorist training centres in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir and Pakistan. In this precisely executed operation, planned meticulously by the defence forces, only terrorist hideouts and camps in Pakistan were targeted, without involving any civilian or Army personnel. As such, this operation is different from the attacks by Pakistan-backed terrorists in which our soldiers and civilians were killed. And this difference makes our country great.

KRISHAN KANT SOOD, NANGAL

Beware of social media rumours

Our brave armed forces have done a laudable job by targeting terrorist camps with precision and purpose. What added tremendous strength to this moment was the press conference jointly addressed by Col Sofiya Qureshi and Wg Cdr Vyomika Singh. The choice of these women who represent the Army and the Air Force was nothing short of historic. It showed the real spirit of India — unity in diversity. The larger aim of Pak-based terrorists to break our unity has failed. It is this very spirit that the enemies of our nation fear most. Let us stay united, mature and alert. We should not allow ourselves to be caught in the trap of misinformation disseminated through social media platforms.

MD SABIR HUSSAIN, ARRAH (BIHAR)

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I, Anil Kumar s/o Mohan Lal r/o 3049, Tribune Colony, Sector 29-D, Chandigarh have changed my name from Anil Kumar to Anil Kumar Rajput. All concerned please note. (CL25012223)

I, Jashpal s/o Ajmer Singh, Village Niwansi, Distt. Kurukshetra have changed my name Jashpal to Jashpal Singh. (CL25012232)

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(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
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Bathinda
Indian Overseas Bank
Vs.
M/s Raju Wedding Dresses
CNR No. PBBT02-000179-2024
Next Date: 02.07.2025

Publication issued to:
1. M/s Raju Wedding Dresses, a sole proprietorship concern situated at MCB-Z1-10119 Middle Mal Street, back side, Dhoobi Bazar, Bathinda through its sole proprietor Riya Nagpal w/o Harbans Lal. 2. Smt. Riya Nagpal, w/o Sh. Harbans Lal, Prop. of M/s Raju Wedding Dresses, situated at MCB-Z1-10119, Midhu Mal Street, back side, Dhoobi Bazar, Bathinda 151001. 2nd address H.No. 7890, Ward No. 36, Neeta Street Mehna Chowk, Bathinda 151005.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 02.07.2025 at 10:00 a.m.

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In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 27.05.2025 at 10:00 a.m.

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In the Court of
Ms. Jaswinder Sheemar
Additional District and Sessions
Judge,
Hoshiarpur
Rajwinder Kaur w/o Parupkar Singh s/o Tarsem Singh, r/o Village Mehmoval, Tehsil and District Hoshiarpur.

.....Plaintiff/Cross-Objector
Vs.
1. Tarlochan Singh s/o Harjinder Singh r/o Village Mehmoval, Tehsil and District Hoshiarpur & ons.

...Respondents
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CL25012258

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In the Court of
Sh. Simran Singh
Additional Civil Judge
(Senior Division),
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Vs.
Aman Sekhon
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In the Court of
Ms. Rana Kanwardeep Kaur
Chahal
Principal Judge, Family Court,
Kapurthala
Genious Chaudhary
Versus
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CNR No.:
PBKPO1-005796-2024
Next Date: 10.07.2025

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Sd/- Principal Judge,
Family Court,
Kapurthala
CL25012262

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Sh. Ajay
Civil Judge Junior Division,
Chandigarh
State Bank of India
Versus
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Sd/- Civil Judge
Junior Division,
Chandigarh.
CL25012263

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Ms. Krishnanuja Mittal
Additional Civil Judge
(Senior Division),
Fatehgarh Sahib
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Vs.
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In the Court of
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Additional District and
Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur
Tholu Ram son of Butta Ram, resident of Mohalla Ravi Dass Nagar, Shergarh Road, Hoshiarpur

...Appellant
Versus
1. Babu son of not known, resident of Mohalla Premgarh, Hoshiarpur & Anr.

...Respondents
CNR No.:
PBHO01-007488-2019
Next Date: 01.07.2025

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Sd/- Additional District and
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Hoshiarpur
CL25012265

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Ms. Rana Kanwardeep Kaur
Chahal
Principal Judge
Family Court,
Kapurthala
Mandeep Kaur
Vs.
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Next Date: 27.05.2025

Publication issued to:
Raj Kumar s/o Som Nath R/o VPO Sidhwan Dona, Tehsil and District Kapurthala at present Svedjevagen 7 15154 Sodertalje Logenhetsnummer 1103 Sweden.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 27.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?mod=distric_notice&district=kapurthala
Dated, this day of 17.04.2025.

Sd/- Principal Judge
Family Court
Kapurthala
CL25012266

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Sh. Gurkiran Singh
Additional Civil Judge
Sr. Division, Sri Anandpur Sahib
CNR No. PBROA0-000542-2023
Next Date:- 29.05.2025

Darshan Ram son of Amian son of Chubhu Resident of Village and Post Office Barwa, Tehsil Sri Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar.

Vs.
Gayatri Devi widow of Bachna son of Ganga Ram Resident of Village and Post Office Barwa, Tehsil Sri Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar.

Petition u/s 34R5
Publication issued to:
Kesar Singh
Father:- Bachna Ram son of Ganga Ram
R/o VPO Barwa, Tehsil Sri Anandpur Sahib Sub Tehsil Nurpur Bedi, Distt. Rupnagar.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 29.05.2025 at 10:00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?tr=distric_notice&district=rupnagar
Dated, this day of 06.05.2025.

Sd/- Additional Civil Judge
Sr. Division,
Sri Anandpur Sahib
CL25012267

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Sh. Gurkiran Singh
Additional Civil Judge
Sr. Division, Sri Anandpur Sahib
CNR No. PBROA0-000542-2023
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For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?tr=distric_notice&district=rupnagar
Dated, this day of 06.05.2025.

Sd/- Additional Civil Judge
Sr. Division,
Sri Anandpur Sahib
CL25012267

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Jasbir Singh Mehndiratta
Civil Judge
(Senior Division),
Fatehgarh Sahib.
Harminder Singh Sethi
Vs.
Happy Sachdeva
CNR No.
PBFG02-000718-2024
Next Date: 26.05.2025

Publication issued to:
1. Happy Sachdeva
2. Sonu Sachdeva, both sons of Krishan Kumar resident of Kalandersha Behra, Near Mota Halwai Wala Chowk, Bassi Pathana, Tehsil Bassi Pathana, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 26.05.2025 at 10:00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?tr=distric_notice&district=fatehgarhsahib
Dated, this day of 25.03.2025.

Sd/- Civil Judge
(Senior Division),
CL25012269 Fatehgarh Sahib.

COURT NOTICES

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Sh. Vijay Kumar
Matrimonial Cases Special
Courts, Fatehgarh Sahib
Sukhdarshan Singh
Versus
Kaushal
CNR No.
PBF001-000164-2023
Next Date: 03.07.2025

Publication issued to:
Kaushal Spouse: Sukhdarshan and daughter of Kiran Pal Singh resident of House No. 96, Ward No. 14, Brahman Majra, Sirhind, Tehsil and District Fatehgarh Sahib at present residing at House No. 845, Street No. 4, Tanki Marg, Bhupenderpuri, Modi Nagar, Tehsil Modi Nagar, District Gaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 03.07.2025 at 10:00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?tr=distric_notice&district=fatehgarhsahib
Dated, this day of 17.04.2025.

Sd/- Matrimonial Cases
Special Courts,
Fatehgarh Sahib.
CL25012270

(U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Mehak Sabharwal
Additional Civil Judge
(Senior Division),
Sultanpur Lodhi
Punjab National Bank
Versus
Smt. Maninder Kaur
CNR No.:
PBKPB0-000074-2024
Next Date: 27.05.2025

Publication issued to:
Smt. Maninder Kaur Spouse:- Tarlok Singh VPO Fauji Colony, Mahabaliapur, Sultanpur Lodhi, Kapurthala.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 27.05.2025 at 10.00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?mod=distric_notice&district=kapurthala
Dated, this day of 20.02.2025.

Sd/- Additional Civil Judge
(Senior Division),
Sultanpur Lodhi
CL25012273

(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)

(Under Guardian and Wards Act)
In the Court of
Ms. Rana Kanwardeep Kaur
Chahal
Principal Judge,
Family Court,
Kapurthala
Gurmeet Kaur
Vs.
Baljinder Kaur
General Public
CNR No.
PBKPO1-000247-2024
Next Date: 01.07.2025

Notice to:
Baljinder Kaur widow of Gurdial Singh R/o VPO Surkhpur Kapurthala at present R/o 5 Draycott Road Smethwick B661QP England.

In above titled case, the defendant(s)/respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 01.07.2025 at 10:00 a.m.

For details logon to https://highcourthd.gov.in/?mod=distric_notice&district=kapurthala
Dated, this day of 03.04.2025.

Sd/-
Principal Judge,
Family Court,
Kapurthala.
CL25012274

(U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC)

In the Court of
Dr. Shilpa Takkar
Civil Judge
Junior Division-V,
Faridkot
State Bank of India
Vs.
Jagmail Singh
CNR No.
PBF002-0010

**Authorised Officer,
Canara Bank**

Cong cancels meeting called to discuss names for HPCC top post

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, MAY 7
The appointment of a new president of the Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee (HPCC) will take a little longer. The Congress high command had called Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, his ministers, former party presidents and other eminent leaders to New Delhi tomorrow to discuss the potential candidates for the top post of the HPCC but the

meeting was postponed following the strikes by Indian armed forces in Pakistan. The three-year tenure of incumbent president Pratibha Singh has expired and the names of a few leaders for the post are doing the rounds. The names of a few ministers are being proposed for the post but they are reportedly not interested. At least one minister is said to have agreed to take up the responsibility on the condition that he will be allowed to continue as minister as well. Factors like regional balance and caste are also being considered to decide the next president. "The name of the president should be declared at the earliest. Resentment among party workers and even ministers is growing, which is not good for the party," said a senior Congress leader. With no clear name emerging for the post of the HPCC president, the reconstitution of the dissolved party body will also be delayed further.

Security beefed up in Chamba's border areas along J&K, Punjab

CHAMBA, MAY 7
The district authorities have tightened security along Chamba's borders with Jammu and Kashmir and Punjab after India's strikes against terror outfits in Pakistan in the wake of the Pahalgam attack. Chamba shares border with both Jammu and Kashmir and Punjab, making several

areas in the district vulnerable. To strengthen security, the police have completely sealed the 220-km-long border starting from the Khairi sector to Churah and Pangri. Enhanced surveillance is also being done on the border with Punjab. Police personnel are patrolling sensitive areas day and night and all vehicles

entering Chamba from neighbouring states are being checked thoroughly. Military forces stationed in the Khairi sector are working alongside the police to monitor and secure strategic locations. Additionally, intelligence inputs are being actively gathered using technical surveillance resources. — OC

Indian forces gave strong reply to Pak: Jai Ram

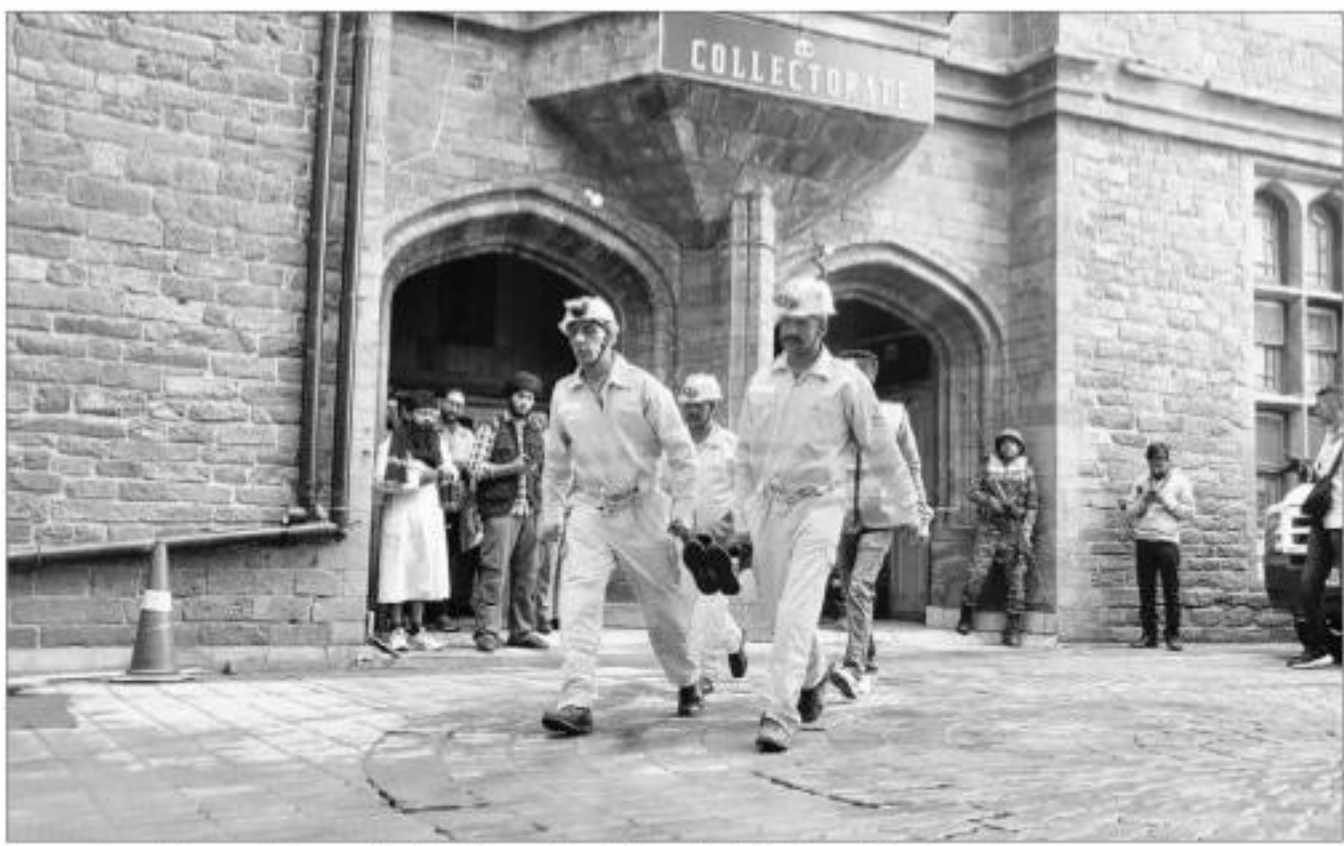
SHIMLA, MAY 7
Leader of the Opposition Jai Ram Thakur today said that the Indian armed forces had given a befitting reply to the Pahalgam terror attack, as he had promised to the nation. Thakur, in an informal interaction with mediapersons here, said, "India has taken revenge for the April 22 attack on innocent tourists in Pahalgam for which Modi should be praised. Indian armed forces have taken revenge for the Pahalgam killings by destroying targets 100 km into Pakistan and attacked nine terror training centres accurately and by ensuring that civilian population was not harmed," he added. He said that Pakistan was shell shocked and bewildered as how to retaliate to the strikes by Indian forces against terror training centres. "The entire nation stands united against terrorism sponsored by Pakistan," he added. Thakur said that the state government would act on the guidelines of the Central Government for civil safety and ensuring supply of essential supplies. — TNS

No order from Centre to close schools in border dists: Sukhu

Cancels Kullu tour, chairs meeting to review security post attack on Pak

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, MAY 7
Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today cancelled his tour of Kullu district and chaired high-level meeting in the wake of 'Operation Sindoor'. "So far no directions have been received from the Union Home Ministry on the closure of educational institutions in border districts. I have directed the district administration to assess the situation in schools in the border districts and take a decision accordingly," said Sukhu in an informal interaction with mediapersons after the meeting with the Home and Police departments here. He said, "I chaired a high-level meeting as we need to remain vigilant to avert any untoward incident in the border areas. There is no need to panic but at the same time, we need to be prepared for any eventuality." He added that they would try to gather all possible information through the use of technology and counter any false propaganda by the enemies through social media.



Home Guard jawans take part in the 'Operation Abhyas' in Shimla on Wednesday. TRIBUNE PHOTO: LALIT KUMAR

The Chief Minister congratulated the security forces after the success of 'Operation Sindoor' launched by the Indian armed forces. He praised the courage and professionalism exhibited by the forces in safeguarding the nation. "The entire country is proud of the brave hearts and their unwavering dedication to protecting the nation and its citizens. We are proud of the manner in which all three wings of the

armed forces have executed the operation," he said. Himachal Pradesh was proud of the armed forces and stands solidly with the nation in the fight against terrorism, he added. Sukhu reviewed the state's security, transport and communication systems, along with food and power supply, disaster management and health services. He also issued necessary directions to the officials concerned to ensure smooth

supply of all essential items. Sukhu also reviewed the security system and various arrangements in the state in detail. He gave necessary guidelines to the Deputy Commissioners and the Superintendents of Police of all districts to keep an eye on the situation and take decisions accordingly. Chief Secretary Prabodh Saxena, Additional Chief Secretary Onkar Chand Sharma and DGP Atul Verma attended the meeting.

Ban on worship of Dolgyal spirit to continue, says Dalai Lama's office

LALIT MOHAN
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

DHARAMSALA, MAY 7
The Dalai Lama's office has issued a clarification that it has not changed its position regarding the propagation of the Dolgyal spirit. It has stated that Dolgyal's followers were spreading misinformation that the Dalai Lama had reversed his guidance regarding the worship of the Dolgyal spirit. This is an effort to sow discord among Tibetans. The Chinese government had recently used it to exploit the issue and create divisions within the Tibetan community, the clarification stated. Confusion arose from a brief comment made during online teachings to the Tibetan youth on June 2, 2021, when the Dalai Lama said that Dolgyal's followers "should be the object of compassion and love". This statement was misconstrued by some as a retraction of his previous position, the clarification stated.

The statement clarified that the Dalai Lama was emphasising the importance of cultivating compassion towards all beings while still maintaining his stance against the practice itself. He renounced the Dolgyal practice in 1975 after discovering what he described as historical, social and religious problems associated with it. He has consistently discouraged followers from propitiating the spirit based on three main concerns — the risk of Tibetan Buddhism degenerating into spirit worship, obstacles to genuine non-sectarianism and the practice being particularly inappropriate in



ONE MILLION FOLLOWERS
■ The worshipers of the Dolgyal spirit in the Tibetan community are known as Shugden's followers.
■ The Tibetan government-in-exile alleges that Shugden followers are acting at the behest of China.
■ Dorje Shugden is considered to be a wrathful spirit of a deceased Lama, now working as a worldly protector.
■ Shugden is believed to be a spirit of murdered Gelukpa Lama, who had opposed the 5th Dalai Lama both in debate and politics.
■ There are about one million Dorje Shugden practitioners worldwide
■ They have filed a writ petition in the Delhi High Court against the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan government-in-exile alleging that they were not allowing them to follow their religious beliefs.
<< The Dalai Lama arrives for the long-life prayer at the main Tibetan temple in McLeodganj on Wednesday. PHOTO: KAMAL JEET

relation to the well-being of the Tibetan society.

The enmity between the Dalai Lama and the Shugden followers started in 1975 when the former issued diktats to Tibetans against offering prayers to Shugden.

The trouble with the followers of the sect with the pres-

ent Dalai Lama began in 1975 when a yellow book was published. In the book, a message was given to Geluk Lamas that they should not practise the teachings of other schools or otherwise they would incur Shukden's wrath and die prematurely. After the publication of the

book that was perceived as a direct challenge to the authority of the Dalai Lama, he banned the Shugden practices. In the recent past, the Chinese government had started promoting the followers of Dorje Shugden to counter the influence of the Dalai Lama.

Shimla ropeway project work may be awarded by June end

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SHIMLA, MAY 7
The Ropeway and Rapid Transport System Development Corporation (RTDC) is hoping to complete all formalities for the Shimla ropeway project by June end and award the work. "Two companies have bid for the project. At present, technical scrutiny of the bids is underway. Once it is done, financial bids will be opened and the work will be awarded to a company," said an RTDC official. The RTDC had to extend the date of opening the bids several times on the request

of the interested companies. "Now, two big Indian companies have made the bids. They have joint ventures with international players," the official added. He said that apart from the scrutiny of the bids, the RTDC was meeting other formalities related to the project simultaneously. "Efforts are being made to get the remaining clearances under the Forest Conservation Act by June 15. There's a continual correspondence with New Development Bank regarding funding. We are hopeful that we will be able to award the work by June end," he added.

The official said that the deadline for making the bid for the Narkanda-Hatoo ropeway had been extended up to May 20. "A few companies are showing interest in the project, but they have raised some queries and hence the date has been extended," he added. New Development Bank is providing Rs 1,734 crore for the Shimla passenger ropeway project. While 80 per cent of the amount will come as loan, the state will bear 20 per cent of the cost. The 13.79 km long ropeway will have 15 boarding and de-boarding stations with integrated parking lots. It will have three lines.

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ਦਫਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਨੰਗਲ (ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਰੂਪਨਗਰ)
Municipal Council, Nangal (Distt. Rupnagar)
No. 1400 Date: 06.05.2025

ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ
ਸਿਵਲ ਰਿੰਟ ਪਟੀਓਨ (ਪੀਆਈਐਲ), ਨੰਗਲ 143 ਆਫ 2019-ਕੋਰਟ ਆਫ ਇਟਸ ਆਨ ਮੋਸ਼ਨ ਬਨਾਮ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਵਿਚ ਮਾਣਯੋਗ ਕੋਰਟ ਦੇ ਹੁਕਮ 25.30.2024 ਦੀ ਪਾਲਣਾ ਵਿਚ ਪਾਲਤੂ ਕੁੱਤਾਂ ਵਜੋਂ ਰੱਖੇ ਗਏ Ferocious Breeds of Dogs ਦੁਆਰਾ ਕਟੇ ਜਾਣ ਤੋਂ ਬਚਾਅ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਸਥਾਨਕ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਤਿਆਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਭਰਵਟ Punjab (Mandatory Registration and regulation of Ferocious Dogs) Model By Laws 2025 ਬਣਾਏ ਗਏ ਹਨ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਦਫਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਨੰਗਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਦਫਤਰੀ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਦਫਤਰੀ ਸਮੇਂ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਆ ਕੇ ਦੇਖ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ। ਸੇਕਰ ਇਸ By Laws ਲਿਖੀ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਜਾਂ ਸ਼ੁੱਭਾਅ ਹੋ ਤਾਂ ਇਸ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਛਪਣ ਦੇ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ, ਅੰਦਰ ਦਫਤਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਹੋ ਕੇ ਆਪਣਾ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼/ਸ਼ੁੱਭਾਅ ਦਰਜ ਕਰਵਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ। ਇਕ ਹਫਤੇ ਤੋਂ ਵਾਅਦਾ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼/ਸ਼ੁੱਭਾਅ 'ਤੇ ਗੌਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ।

DPR/Pb/44174 **ਸਹੀ/- ਕਾਰਜਸਾਧਕ ਅਫਸਰ, ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ, ਨੰਗਲ।**

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
Tender Reference No. NPMOONAK/2025-26/20

The Department of NAGAR PANCHAYAT, MOONAK invites Online Bids for Civil Works.

Closing Date & Time: 16.05.2025 at 03.00 P.M.

For details login to: www.eproc.punjab.gov.in

Note:- Any Corrigendum(s) to the Tender Notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- Administrator,
Nagar Panchayat,
Moonak.

DPR/Pb/44187

Sd/- Executive Officer,
Nagar Panchayat,
Moonak.

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
Tender Reference No. E-Tender Notice No. EO/108

The Department of :

Closing Date and Time : 20.05.2025 up to 03:00 P.M.

For details login to : <https://eproc.punjab.gov.in>

Note:- Any Corrigendum(s) to the tender notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- Estate Officer,
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

DPR/Pb/44194

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO.	NAME OF BOARD/ CORP/ AUTH.	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT/ EMD (APPROX) IN RUPEES
1	UHBVN	LUMP SUM CONTRACT FOR SWEEPING AND CLEANING PURELY OUTSTANDING BASIS OF 10 NOS. SUBSTATIONS (IE AT SAMPLA, CHHARA, ROHAT, HASSANGARH, BHALLOUT, KANSALA, LADHOUT, SANGHI, JINDRAN & ISMAILA) OFFICES (OP SO/IN, JASSIA & SUB OFFICE CHHARA, O/O THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, OPI SU DIVN. NO. 2, ROHTAK SITUATED AT SAMPLA.	CLOSING DATE 21.05.2025	30000.00/- EMD 500.00/- BID PRICE

WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/CORP/AUTH: www.uhbvn.org.in
NIT NO. 6 SU 2 Rohtak/2025-2026 dated 21.05.2025
NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAIL S/E-MAIL: 860787876 xenopsu2rohtak@uhbvn.org.in
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT: www.haryanaprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in PRDH/13/2026/40/34561/V3114

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn. No. 1,
Bathinda.

DPR/Pb/44185

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
Tender Notice Reference No. 11/PWSSB D-1/BT1 DATE: 07.05.2025

The Department of PUNJAB WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD invites online bids for the followings works:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Work	Quantity
1.	Prov. & laying of UPVC pipe, DI K-7 pipe, RCC manhole cover and frame, PVC steps in Dhillon Colony, Word No. 1 at Bathinda. (As per DNIT)	1 Job

Closing Date & Time: 26.05.2025 up to 11:00 Hrs.
Date of Opening: 26.05.2025 at 15:00 Hrs.
For details login to: www.eproc.punjab.gov.in

Note: Any Corrigendum(s), to the Tender Notice shall be published on the above website only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn. No. 1,
Bathinda.

DPR/Pb/44185

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO.	NAME OF BOARD/ CORP/ AUTH.	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT/ EMD (APPROX) IN RUPEES
1	HSAMB FARIDABAD	ANNUAL REPAIR OF VARIOUS LINK ROADS I.E. ROAD ID:- 681, 9201 (GROUP-VI), PRITHLA CONSTITUENCY, DISTRICT FARIDABAD (FOR THE YEAR 2025-26) + 4 WORKS.	05.05.2025 13.05.2025	13.68 LACS

WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/CORP/AUTH: <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>
NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAIL S/E-MAIL: 9416384454 xenfaridabad.hsamb2025@gmail.com
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT: www.haryanaprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in PRDH/13/2026/40/34534/V3114

Sd/- Medical Officer Health
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

DPR/Pb/44176

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE

Sr. No.	NAME OF BOARD/ CORP/AUTH	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1.	DHBVN	HIRING OF OFFICE BUILDING FOR OP S DIVN MAWAI GREATER FARIDABAD UNDER OP CIRCLE FARIDABAD NIT NO. 02/SE/FBD	13.05.2025 03.06.2025	-	www.dhbvn.org.in	01292233277 sefbd@dhbvn.org.in
2.	DHBVN	HIRING OF 03 NO. VEHICLES SEDAN CAR (HISAR)	15.05.2025 05.06.2025	13.11 LACS	www.dhbvn.org.in	9053444982 xen1tcb@dhbvn.org.in
3.	DHBVN	CONSTRUCTION OF BOUNDARY WALL AND BOUNDARY WALL GATE AND PARKING SHED AT SDO OFFICE BEHAL (HISAR)	02.05.2025 26.05.2025	68.19 LACS	www.dhbvn.org.in	9813045911 xenovlhrs@dhbvn.org.in
4.	DHBVN	PROCUREMENT OF 5 MVA POWER TFS (HISAR)	09.05.2025 04.06.2025	1.25 CRORES	www.dhbvn.org.in	9053071200 semm@dhbvn.org.in

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT: www.haryanaprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in PRDH/13/2026/80/34560/I/314

Sd/- Medical Officer Health
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

DPR/Pb/44176

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA CORRIGENDUM

Sr. No.	NAME OF BOARD/ CORP/AUTH	OLD REFERENCE/IT NO.	NATURE OF CORRIGENDUM	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD/ CORP/AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/ CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	HVPNL	NIT NO. 66/CW-D/VOL-XVIII/HVPNL/2024-25 DATED- 09.01.2025/ONLINE TENDER ID NO. 2025_HBC_422699_1	"DATE OF OPENING BID 06.05.2025 (11:00 HRS) LAST DATE OF ONLINE BID SUBMISSION IS EXTENDED UPTO 15.05.2025 (13:00 HRS) (SOCIETIES & CONTRACTORS)"	www.hvpnl.org.in	0172-2583789 PRO@HVPNL.ORG.IN
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Cross-border shelling injures 11, damages 40 houses across Valley

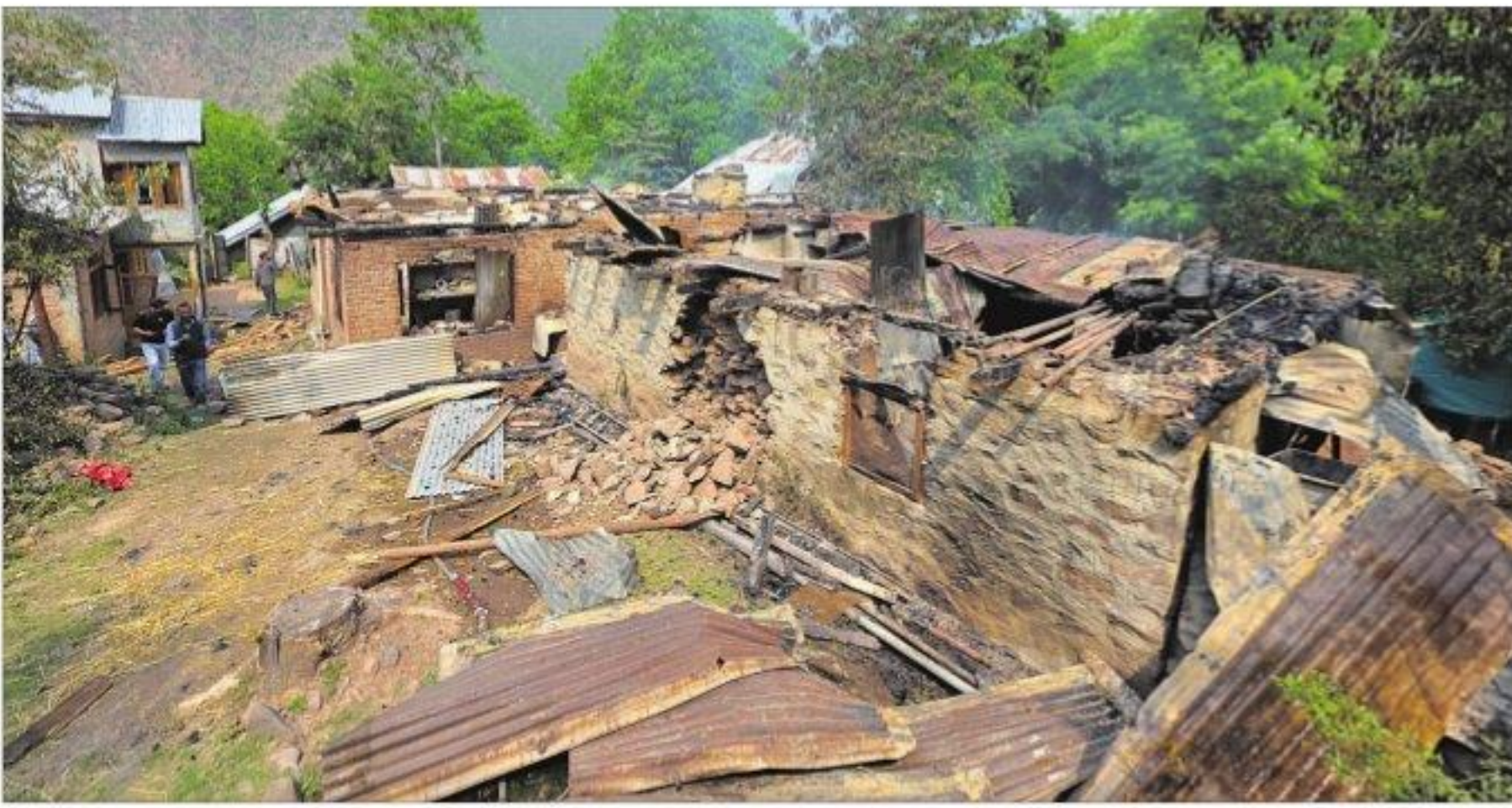
ADIL AKHZER

SRINAGAR, MAY 7
At least 11 civilians were injured and over 40 houses damaged as heavy artillery shelling by Pakistan rattled towns along the Line of Control (LoC) in north Kashmir on Wednesday. Local residents said they had not witnessed such intense shelling in recent years.

Early Wednesday morning, India announced it had struck terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK). In response, the Indian Army reported that Pakistan initiated unprovoked firing, including artillery shelling, from posts across the LoC and International Border opposite Jammu and Kashmir. "We are responding to the shelling in equal measure," the Army stated.

For residents of border villages in the Valley, it was a night filled with fear as Pakistan resorted to heavy shelling in various areas.

Over the past 12 days, there had mostly been small arms fire reported along the LoC, following last month's Pahalgam attack that killed 26 people. However, early Wednesday marked a shift as Pakistan resorted to artillery shelling.



Shelters and houses damaged during cross-border shelling in the Salamabad area of Baramulla district on Wednesday. REUTERS

Locals said they had never seen such intense shelling in years. "I have never seen such a situation in my life. The last time I saw something like this was during the 1971 war," said 70-year-old Mohammed Shafi Lone from Tangdhar in north Kashmir's Kupwara district.

He said heavy firing began after 1 am, prompting residents to move into bunkers, where they remained throughout the night. When

the shelling paused briefly and people emerged, several houses were found engulfed in flames. Police officials reported that around 40 houses were damaged in the Tangdhar area.

A similar situation was reported in the nearby Baramulla district, where heavy shelling rocked Uri town. Locals said they stayed awake all night as loud explosions shook the frontier town. Residents said the shelling

was so intense that shells landed deep inside Uri, far from the usual border areas.

"Before 2021, whenever there was shelling, it was generally limited and affected areas close to the border. This time, however, it was heavy artillery fire and shells landed in places like Gingal, where we've never experienced such a situation before," said Naveed Bakhtiyar, a Uri resident.

He added that people are

living in constant fear, having remained awake all night due to the shelling. Police officials said some homes in Uri were badly damaged and as many as 11 civilians were injured in the attacks.

Authorities have since restricted traffic towards Uri, and civilians are being barred from moving towards the border areas. Army officials confirmed that forces are giving a "befitting response" to Pakistani shelling along the LoC.

Locals move to safer areas amid heavy pounding in border towns

ADIL AKHZER/ARJUN SHARMA

SRINAGAR/JAMMU, MAY 7
Amid intense border shelling in villages along the Line of Control (LoC) in north Kashmir and Jammu's Poonch region, large numbers of residents have migrated to safer areas as tensions escalate between India and Pakistan.

Late on Tuesday night, Pakistan resorted to heavy shelling, targeting several villages along the LoC in Poonch district of Jammu region, as well as in north Kashmir's Kupwara and Baramulla districts.

Mukhtar Ahmad, a resident of Tangdhar, one of the worst-hit areas, told *The Tribune* that many locals, including children and the elderly, had left for Kupwara due to the deteriorating situation.

"There is a lot of fear among people here after what has happened last night," he said, adding that many families relocated to Kupwara town on Wednesday following the clashes.

In Bandipora district's Gurez town, also situated near the LoC, numerous residents, including hoteliers, vacated the area on Wednesday morning. Although Gurez did not witness any firing on Tuesday night, the atmosphere remained tense. "There was fear among people...



Residents evacuate with their belongings at Jeora farm on Wednesday.

we decided to go back to Bandipora, because shelling can start anytime in Gurez," said Mehmood Ahmad, who runs a hotel in the town. He said dozens of people had left for Bandipora amid the prevailing tension.

Similar conditions were reported in towns like Uri in north Kashmir and across Jammu's Poonch and Rajouri districts. Following continuous shelling by Pakistan in these areas overnight, large numbers of residents migrated to safer zones.

On Wednesday morning, hundreds were seen leaving their villages in the twin districts of Poonch and Rajouri. Whilesome moved in with relatives, others were relocated with administrative support.

The Poonch district administration said it had already arranged for the relocation of residents from vulnerable areas in anticipation of such developments. In addition, residents from villages along the International Border (IB) in Jammu, Samba and Kathua districts also began to leave. Although the IB remained quiet, locals feared the situation could worsen in a similar manner to the LoC.

On Wednesday, Lieutenant Governor (L-G) Manoj Sinha directed the Deputy Commissioners of all border districts to shift villagers from vulnerable locations to safer areas. Sinha posted on X, stating that he had reviewed the situation in the border districts with senior officials.

Rajnath: Terror dens hit...

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camps used to train terrorists in Pakistan and PoK.

Earlier in the day, Rajnath briefed Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the operation and the PM later lauded the armed forces in a Cabinet meeting he chaired at his residence. The PM is learnt to have told the Cabinet that the national response to the Pahalgam attack was "necessary and had to be undertaken". He saluted the forces for a precision strike the nation had been waiting for.

The entire Cabinet hailed the "non-escalatory, pre-emptive and responsive" nature of the strikes by the Indian military and congratulated PM Modi for his leadership. Before the Cabinet meeting, the Cabinet Committee on Security also met, its third since the Pahalgam attack. The PM later met and

briefed President Droupadi Murmu, the supreme commander of the armed forces, on the operation, even as the government scheduled an all-party meeting to discuss the situation on Thursday. The meeting is expected to pass a resolution backing Operation Sindoor.

"We have undertaken this operation consciously and wisely. This operation was launched with the sole target of destroying the morale of terrorists by targeting their camps. I salute the valour of our armed forces," said Rajnath, addressing the 66th Raising Day event of the Border Roads Organisation at Manekshaw Centre here today. "During the operation, we followed the path shown by Lord Hanuman, who while destroying the Ashok Vatika in Lanka, only targeted those who had targeted innocent people," he said.

9 targets chosen...

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anti-India activities. "The targets were selected with due diligence to avoid damage to civilian installations and ensure no innocents were killed. The camps had long been monitored by Indian intelligence agencies. These were functioning as operational bases for terrorist movement," said Colonel Qureshi.

Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri said The Resistance Front, a Lashkar offshoot, had claimed responsibility for the Pahalgam attack. "The identification of the attackers, based on eyewitness accounts and other information, has also progressed. We had inputs on Pakistani terrorist modules planning further attacks against India. Therefore, the strikes had become a compulsion to deter and pre-empt the threats," said Misri.

Geo-strategic location of Poonch makes it vulnerable to Pak attacks

ARJUN SHARMA

JAMMU, MAY 7
With its strategic location bordering Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) and acting as a buffer between the Kashmir and Jammu regions of the Union Territory (UT), Poonch—home to a mixed population—has long remained a target for Pakistan.

The scenic mountains of Poonch, which border several parts of the Kashmir region, are cloaked in thick forests. These wooded areas have become safe havens for Pakistan-based terrorists infiltrating through the LoC. The district has seen several deadly ambushes on security

forces over the past two years by terrorists using hit-and-run tactics and retreating into the dense jungle terrain.

According to experts, the intense shelling by Pakistan on Wednesday in several parts of Poonch was intended to instil fear among different communities following India's strikes on terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and PoK. While Poonch has previously witnessed heavy cross-border firing during ceasefire violations, direct shelling of areas within Poonch city remains rare.

The district is home to a significant population of Sikhs and Hindus, alongside Muslims, making its demographic

makeup unique in the region.

Following the Indian Air Force's surgical strikes in 2019, Pakistani fighter jets had entered the Poonch region and engaged in a dogfight with Indian jets.

Captain Anil Gaur (retd), a Jammu-based defence analyst, said Poonch's geography and location make it an easy target. "As Pakistan will not shell areas close to the LoC in the Kashmir region due to political factors, Poonch provides an area with a mixed population where pro-India sentiment is dominant," he said.

He noted that the shelling may aim to trigger evacuations, clearing space for easier infiltration by Pakistani terrorists.

Pak went out of its way to target civilians: Omar

SRINAGAR, MAY 7
Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Wednesday said Pakistan has "gone out of its way" to target civilian population in the Union Territory following India's missile strikes targeting terror infrastructure in the neighbouring country.

"As reports are coming, Pakistan has gone out of its way to target the civilian population. So I have taken stock of the situation and we are dealing with the situation as it develops," Abdullah said after chairing a review meeting here.

The CM said India had gone out of its way to ensure that no military and civilian targets were hit in the strikes.

"After the inhumane and barbaric murder of 26 innocent civilians in Pahalgam, it was expected that India would use its right to respond in an appropriate and proportionate way. I think the Government of India and Indian defence forces have gone out of the way to ensure no military and civilian targets were hit in Pakistan. They have only hit terror bases," he added.

Earlier, Omar chaired a meeting to assess the preparedness of the government along border areas of the UT. "Held a meeting to assess the security along the LoC areas. Emphasis laid on safeguarding civilian lives, strengthening infrastructure," the CM posted on X. — PTI

Sindoor, women briefing Firm message...

attack that overwhelmed every Indian. Operation Sindoor evokes that emotional response. This is in fact the first time that the Indian armed forces have framed a military operation against Pakistan as a tribute to terror attack victims. In the past, phrases and metaphors representing valour and warfare have been deployed in operations against Pakistan. These include Operation Riddle, the military's response to Pakistan's 1965 offensive; Operation Trident, the Navy's successful offensive during the 1971 Indo-Pak war targeting the Karachi port; Operation Vijay to reclaim the

Kargil heights in 1999; Operation Parakram after the 2001 Parliament attack; and most recently Operation Bandar post the Pulwama terror attack.

Operation Sindoor lends voice to the collective national anguish over the Pahalgam attack. As Ashanya Dwivedi, the widow of Kanpur's Shubham Dwivedi, the first among 26 to be hit in Pahalgam, said today, "This codename is a real tribute to the victims. Only PM Modi could have given this name. He identified with our pain and sentiments. I thank him for avenging the killing of my husband and 25 others."

Besides the choice of the

codename, India, by fielding two women officers to lead the national briefing after the military strikes today, delivered a sharp retort to Pakistan army Chief Asim Munir's recent "Hindu-Muslim binary" rant.

Col Sofiya Qureshi and Wg Cdr Vyomika Singh both cautioned Pakistan against escalation. Their presence at the briefing today alongside Foreign Secretary Misri mirrored Indian unity days after Munir backed the "two-nation theory" and said Hindus and Muslims were different in every aspect of their lives. Munir's statements have widely been linked to the Pahalgam attack.

At a briefing, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri said India exercised its right to respond to and pre-empt cross-border threats. "The actions were measured, non-escalatory, proportionate and responsible. They focused on dismantling the terrorist infrastructure," said Misri. Col Sofiya Qureshi and Wing Commander Vyomika Singh, who accompanied Misri, said no civilian targets or military installations were hit. "The operation was carried out between 1.05 am and 1.30 am on Wednesday," said Colonel Qureshi.

"It was deemed essential that

Pahalgam avenged

neighbour. "A little while ago, the Indian armed forces launched Operation Sindoor, hitting terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir from where terrorist attacks against India have been planned and directed," the Defence Ministry said in a statement released at 1.44 am. The airspace over north-western India—Punjab, J&K, Rajasthan and Haryana—continues to be restricted for civilian flights as fighter jets of both countries are engaged in combat patrolling.

The Indian Air Force jets carried out strikes at Muridke and Bahawalpur terror hubs while the Army hit camps at Shawai Nalla and Syedna Belal in Muzaffarabad. Gulpur and Abbas terror camps in Kotli, Bamala camp in Bhirnber, Sarjal and Mehmoona Joya camps in Sialkot were also targeted.

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the perpetrators and planners of the Pahalgam attack be brought to justice. Despite a fortnight having passed since the massacre, there was no demonstrable step from Pakistan to act against the terror infrastructure on its territory," said Misri.

The Foreign Secretary said Pakistan-trained terrorists belonging to the Lashkar-e-Taiba carried out the Pahalgam attack.

Lashkar offshoot The Resistance Front (TRF) had claimed responsibility for the attack. Misri said India had given inputs about the TRF in its half-yearly report to the monitoring team of the UN's 1267 Sanctions Committee in May and November 2024. The LeT's nerve centre in Muridke, about 30 km from Lahore, was hit four times in quick succession during the operation, said the officials. Muridke, the base of the terror group since 1990, is where Ajmal Kasab and nine other terrorists were trained ahead of the 26/11 terror siege of Mumbai.

The Markaz (centre) Taiba at Muridke, dubbed a "terror factory", is the most important training centre for the LeT. Recruits are brainwashed, given physical training and a two-week-long indoctrination course. Around 1,000 students get enrolled in this camp, they said. The other big ticket target was Bahawalpur, which became the hub of the JeM after the release of Masood Azhar in exchange for the hijacked passengers of IC-814 in 1999.

4 Sikhs among 13 killed as Pak shells...

and Ranjeet Singh (48), died in the attack. They were taken to a hospital, where they were declared dead on arrival. A Sikh woman was killed in separate shelling.

An artillery shell fired by the Pakistan army missed a UN field office in Poonch and fell outside its gate.

The shelling by Pakistan started around 1.45 am and continued intermittently till the morning. Areas close to the LoC were also targeted in Rajouri district. However, there was no reported loss to life till Wednesday evening.

A cleric of a local madrasa, Qazi Mohammad Iqbal (40), was also killed. The Pakistani

shelling did not even spare Christ School in the town. Two persons were killed when a shell struck near the school.

Aman Dabur, a resident of Poonch, said people had fled their homes due to the fear of shelling. "Most homes in the area bear the marks of splinters of shells fired by Pakistan," said Dabur.

Sources in the Army intelligence said the shelling was carried out in Mendhar, Balakote, Krishna Ghati, Mankote and other areas of the district.

The minors who were killed in the shelling have been identified as Ayan Khan (14) and his sister Aruba Khan (12), Maryam Khatoon (7) and Vihaan Bhargav

(13). Others who were killed in the shelling were identified as Mohammad Akram (40), Balvinder Kour (33), Shakeela Bi (40) and Mohammad Rafi (40). A soldier, Lance Naik Dinesh Kumar of 5 Fd Regiment, was also killed during the shelling.

A shell also struck the area close to the Police Lines in Poonch while the traffic came to a standstill on the Jammu-Poonch NH after shelling hit the vital road link.

Balbir Singh, a resident of Poonch, said he, along with his family, had to leave for Jammu after the shelling from the Pakistani side. "Many members of our community were injured and killed," he said.

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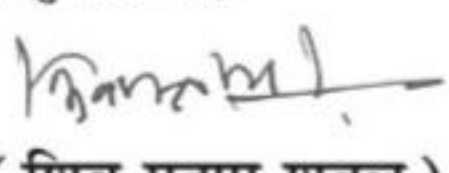
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REGIONAL OFFICE, CHANDIGARH**
AUCTION NOTICE

A public auction of scrap items (old newspapers, G.I. pipes, wooden doors, toner/cartridges, etc.) will be held at 'Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Regional Office, Chandigarh, SCO 72-73, Sector 31-A, Chandigarh - 160030' on 27.05.2025 at 11:00 a.m. Interested bidders can participate in the auction by presenting a valid identity card with a permanent address. The terms of the auction will be announced at the venue.

- Each bidder is required to deposit an earnest money of ₹1000/-. The amount will be refunded to all other participants except highest bidder.
- The highest bidder must immediately deposit 25% of the total bid amount, and the remaining balance must be paid within three working days, after which the items must be collected from the office premises.
- The old wooden doors are stored at the staff quarters in Sector 32 and 46, while the other scrap items are kept in the office basement. The cost of loading, weighing, and transportation will be borne by the highest bidder.
- Bidders interested in purchasing toners/cartridges must be from e-waste registered firms.
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Deputy Commissioner
DI-3303

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)
1st Floor SCO 33-34-35 Sector-17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also)
Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993.
Exh.No.: 25528 **SUMMONS** Case No.: OA/52/2025

HDFC Bank Vs Sudhir
Defendant No-2: Subhash Dhankhar Village Goela Kalan Badli Jhajjar Haryana 124507
Defendant No-3: Usha Village Goela Kalan Badli Jhajjar Haryana 124507
Defendant No-4: Karavir Village Goela Kalan Badli Jhajjar Haryana 124507
WHEREAS, OA/52/2025 was listed before Hon'ble Presiding Officer/ Registrar on 28/02/2025. WHEREAS this Hon'ble Tribunal is pleased to issue summons/ notice on the said application under section 19(4) of the Act, (OA) filed against you for recovery of debts of Rs. 26,99,376.28/- (Application along with copies of documents etc. annexed). In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-
(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;
(ii), to disclose Particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;
(iii), you are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the Application for attachment of properties;
(iv), you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/ or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;
(v), you shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets or other assets and Properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Registrar on 16/05/2025 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date: 03/03/2025 Sd/-
Signature of the officer Authorised to Issue Summons.

Form No. 14 [See Regulation-33 (2)] by publication

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER - I/II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)
1st Floor SCO 33-34-35 Sector-17 A, Chandigarh (Additional space allotted on 3rd & 4th Floor also)
NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961.
RC/315/2023 **DEMAND NOTICE** 23-04-2025

HDFC Bank Vs Sh. Rajender
(CD 1), Sh. Rajender S/o Sh. Chandgi Ram R/o Village Dhamar, Near Arya Samaj Mandir, Tehsil And District, Rohtak, Haryana.
(CD 2), Sumitra W/o Sh Sh Rajender R/o Village Dhamar, Near Arya Samaj Mandir, Tehsil Rohtak, Haryana.
(CD 3), Satyawanti W/o Sh Kulvir R/o H.No. 227 Village Dhamar, Tehsil Rohtak, Haryana.
(CD 4), Ashok S/o Sh Bani Singh H.No. 330 Village Dhamar, Tehsil Rohtak, Haryana.
This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2) in OA/708/2020, an amount of Rs. 58,70,894/- (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakhs Seventy Thousands Eight Hundred Ninety Four Only) along with pendente lite and future interest @ 7% Simple Interest Yearly w.e.f 15/07/2020 till realization and costs of Rs. 91,505/- (Rupees Ninety One Thousands Five Hundred Fifty Five Only) has become due against you (Jointly and severally/ Fully/Limited).
2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under
3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of your assets on or before the next date of hearing.
4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on 25.08.2025 at 10:30 AM, for further Proceedings.
5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:
(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate/execution proceedings.
(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date: 23.04.2025 Sd/-
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH (DRT 2)

Bandaru Dattatraya
Governor, Haryana


संदेश


यह अत्यंत हर्ष का विषय है कि हर वर्ष की भांति हरियाणा रेड क्रॉस इस वर्ष भी रेड क्रॉस के संस्थापक सर जीन हैनरी ड्यूना का जन्मदिवस 8 मई को विश्व रेड क्रॉस दिवस के रूप में बड़े धौल्लास के साथ मना रहा है। इसके लिए मैं भारतीय रेड क्रॉस समिति को हार्दिक बधाई एवं शुभकामनाएं प्रदान करता हूं।

हरियाणा राज्य रेड क्रॉस शाखा ने अपने कर्मठ स्वयंसेवकों के माध्यम से मानवीय कार्यों में नए आयाम स्थापित किये हैं और संपूर्ण भारत में अपनी विशिष्ट पहचान बनाई है। चाहे वह स्वीच्छिक रक्तदान सेवाएं हों, दिवांगों के लिए कृत्रिम अंग व सहायक उपकरण उपलब्ध कराना हो, प्राथमिक सहायता प्रशिक्षण हो, यूथ रेड क्रॉस व जूनियर रेड क्रॉस विंग के माध्यम से स्कूलों, कॉलेजों और विश्वविद्यालयों में स्वयंसेवकों द्वारा सामाजिक जागरूकता फैलाना हो, नशा मुक्ति, कुष्ठ रोग निवारण, टी.बी. व अन्य संक्रामक रोगों के प्रति जागरूकता अभियान हो, अस्पताल कल्याण सेवाएं हों, या आपदा प्रबंधन प्रशिक्षण हो, हरियाणा रेड क्रॉस इन सभी क्षेत्रों में समाज को निरंतर सेवाएं प्रदान कर रहा है।

हरियाणा के नागरिकों को यह जानकारी गौरव महसूस होगा कि स्वीच्छिक रक्तदान के क्षेत्र में अग्रणी सेवाओं के कारण हरियाणा ने पूरे भारत में सर्वाधिक रक्त इकाइयों एकत्रित की हैं। इसके लिए वर्ष 2022-23 और 2023-24 में भारतीय रेड क्रॉस की सामान्य वार्षिक बैठक में हरियाणा को राष्ट्रपति पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया जाएगा। साथ ही, प्राथमिक सहायता के क्षेत्र में भी हरियाणा रेड क्रॉस देश में सर्वाधिक प्रशिक्षण प्रदान करने वाला राज्य है। हरियाणा रेड क्रॉस शाखा ने आपातकालीन परिस्थितियों से निपटने के लिए राज्य व जिला स्तर पर आपदा मित्र भी तैयार किए हैं, जिनका मुख्य उद्देश्य आपदा के समय लोगों की सहायता करना है। ये आपदा मित्र न केवल हरियाणा, बल्कि पूरे भारत में अपनी सेवाएं प्रदान करने के लिए तैयार किए जा रहे हैं।

इस वर्ष विश्व रेड क्रॉस दिवस का थीम “मानवता के पक्ष में” (On the side of Humanity) है। यह थीम रेड क्रॉस के सार्वभौमिक, मानवीय और विविध पहलुओं को प्रमुखता से ध्यान में रखते हुए स्वयंसेवकों की सामाजिक भागीदारी, मानवीय पीढ़ा को कम करने, मानव सम्मान को बनाए रखने, गंभीर परिस्थितियों का सामना कर रहे लोगों, विशेष रूप में दूरदराज के ग्रामीण और कठिन क्षेत्रों में विकट परिस्थितियों का सामना करने वाले व्यक्तियों की सहायता करने पर केंद्रित है।

रेड क्रॉस अपने सात मूलभूत सिद्धांतों- मानवता, निष्पक्षता, तटस्थता, स्वतंत्रता, स्वीच्छिक सेवा, एकता और सार्वभौमिकता के प्रति प्रतिबद्ध है, जो इसे विश्व की एक उत्कृष्ट संस्था बनाते हैं। इन सिद्धांतों का पालन करते हुए हरियाणा रेड क्रॉस शाखा सामाजिक सेवा में नित नई उपलब्धियां हासिल कर रही है।

विश्व रेड क्रॉस दिवस के अवसर पर मैं हरियाणा के सभी नागरिकों को शुभकामनाएं देता हूं और अपील करता हूं कि इस मानवीय संस्था से अधिक से अधिक जुड़कर समाज व राष्ट्र की उच्च सेवा में अपना महत्वपूर्ण योगदान दें।


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SC issues notice as cops challenge acquittal of 14 in 1984 riots cases

Delhi HC had dismissed appeals on ground of inordinate delay

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The Supreme Court has issued a notice on appeals filed by the Delhi Police challenging the Delhi High Court's orders acquitting 14 accused persons in six cases related to the 1984 anti-Sikh riots in Delhi.

"We are conscious of the fact that there was a long delay in filing the appeals against the acquittal before the High Court. However, we have noted the grievances made in Writ Petition (Crl.) No. 9/2016 and the orders passed therein from time to time. The delay in filing the special leave petitions is condoned," a Bench led by Justice AS Oka said, asking the accused to respond to the petitions by July 21 — the

next date of hearing.

It also directed the Registrar to provide a soft copy of the record of the trial court to the counsel appearing for parties who would place on record a compilation of notes of evidence. Around 3,000 people, mostly Sikhs, were killed in the anti-Sikh riots that broke out following the assassination of the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on October 31, 1984, by her two Sikh bodyguards.

The order came on a petition filed in 2016 by S Gurlad Singh Kahlon, a former Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee member, seeking the implementation of the recommendations of the Justice SN Dhingra Committee.

Acting on Kahlon's PIL, the top court had in 2018 consti-

tuted an SIT to probe 199 cases where investigations were closed. Noting that the probe was derailed in several cases, the Justice Dhingra committee, in its January 2020 report, recommended filing of appeals against acquittals.

The Delhi High Court had dismissed the appeals against the acquittal on the ground of inordinate delay.

The Supreme Court had on February 10 said the state must file appeals earnestly and with seriousness. "We are not on any particular outcome, but it must be pursued earnestly and with seriousness," the top court had said.

A week after being questioned over non-filing of appeals challenging acquittals in the 1984 anti-Sikh riots cases in the national capital,

the Delhi Police on February 17 told the Supreme Court that it would file appeals in six such cases against acquittals.

On behalf of the Delhi Police, Additional Solicitor General Aishwarya Bhati had told the court that the committee had recommended the filing of eight SLPs. She said two SLPs had earlier been filed, which were dismissed, and six more had now been filed.

Earlier, the Bench had questioned if senior advocates had been engaged in the earlier matters and stated that filing SLPs would not serve any purpose unless done and prosecuted seriously. Senior advocate HS Phoolka, appearing for the petitioner, had alleged that the appeals were filed "just as a formality."

Beefup Char Dham Yatra security: Dhambi

DEHRADUN, MAY 7

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhambi on Wednesday chaired a high-level meeting at his residence, directing officials to enhance security across key sites in the state, especially in view of the border situation.

According to a release, Dhambi on Wednesday directed the officials in the high-level meeting that in view of the condition at the International Border, special arrangements should be made for the security of the Char Dham Yatra, important establishments located in Uttarakhand and dams and power plants. He has also instructed the government, administration and the police to remain in an alert mode.

The release noted that after participating in the virtual meeting with Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Dhambi held a meeting with senior state officials. The Chief Minister said, "Strong security arrangements should be made in all areas of the state

bordering the International Border, suspicious activities in the border areas should be kept under close watch."

He said at present the Char Dham Yatra was going on in the state, in which lakhs of pilgrims were participating, so strong security arrangements should be made in all the four dhams, including the yatra route. He said there were many establishments of national importance in Uttarakhand, and necessary steps should be taken for the security of these institutions.

As per the release, the CM said, "For any kind of emergency, supply of essential commodities, including foodgrains, should be maintained at the district and tehsil level. Hospitals should be kept on alert for emergency situations. Full arrangements of all essential medicines should be made."

He said civil defence teams and voluntary organisations should be trained for rescue and relief work. — ANI

Cabinet nod to expand 5 IITs' infra

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday approved expansion of academic and infrastructure capacities of five new Indian Institute of Technologies (IITs) established in Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Jammu & Kashmir and Karnataka.

These include IIT Tirupati, IIT Palakkad, IIT Bhilai, IIT Jammu and IIT Dharwad. The total cost for the proposed expansion has been pegged at Rs 11,828.79 crore over a period of four years from 2025-26 to 2028-29, an official statement said.

The Cabinet has also approved creation of 130 faculty posts (professor level) in the IITs. Five new state-of-the-art research parks are also coming up to strengthen industry-academia linkage.

"Student strength in these IITs will be increased by more than 6,500 in the next four years with enhancement of 1,364 stu-

Prime Minister Narendra Modi chairs a Cabinet meeting in New Delhi on Wednesday. ANI

dents in the first year, 1,738 students in the second year, 1,767 students in the third year and 1,707 students in the fourth year across under graduate (UG), post graduate (PG) and PhD programme put together," the statement said.

On the completion of the construction, the five IITs will be able to cater to 13,687 students as against current strength of 7,111.

The Cabinet has also approved a national scheme for Industrial Training Institute (ITI) upgradation and the setting up of five

National Centres of Excellence for Skilling as a Centrally sponsored scheme. The scheme would focus on upgradation of a 1,000 government ITIs in hub and spoke arrangement with industry aligned revamped trades, said the statement.

Over a five-year period, 20 lakh youth would get skill training through courses that address the human capital needs of industries, the statement said. The scheme will focus on ensuring alignment between local workforce supply and industry demand, thereby

facilitating industries, including MSMEs, in accessing employment-ready workers.

"For the first time, the scheme seeks to establish deep industry connections in planning and management of ITI upgradation on a sustained basis. The scheme will adopt an industry-led special purpose vehicle (SPV) model for an outcome-driven implementation strategy, making it distinct from previous efforts to improve the ITI ecosystem," the government said.

Long cohabitation in live-in relationship implies consent; can't allege rape: SC

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Holding that prolonged cohabitation in live-in relationship implied consent for physical relationship, the Supreme Court has said the woman in such a relationship can't accuse the man of rape on false promise of marriage, if he refuses to tie the knot.

"In our view, if two able-minded adults reside together as a live-in couple for more than a couple of years and cohabit with each other, a presumption will arise that they voluntarily chose that kind of a relationship fully aware of its consequences," a Bench of Justice Sanjay Karol and Justice Manoj Misra said in its

April 28 order.

"Therefore, the allegation that such a relationship was entered because there was a promise of marriage is in the circumstances unworthy of acceptance, particularly, when there is no allegation that such physical relationship would not have been established had there been no promise of marriage," the Bench said, quashing the FIR against the man.

"Moreover, in a long drawn live-in relationship, occasions may arise where parties in that relationship express their desire or wish to formalise the same by a seal of marriage, but that expression of desire, or wish, by itself would not be indicative of relationship being a conse-

quence of that expression of desire or wish," it said.

"A decade or two earlier, live-in relationships might not have been common. But now more and more women are financially independent and have the capacity to take conscious decisions of charting their life on their own terms. This financial freedom, inter alia, has led to proliferation of such relationships," the Bench said.

"Therefore, when a matter of this nature comes to a court, it must not adopt a pedantic approach rather the court may, based on the length of such relationship and conduct of the parties, presume implied consent of the parties to be in such a rela-

tionship regardless of their desire or a wish to convert it into a marital bond," it said.

Noting that the relationship between the appellant (man) and the second respondent (the informant) was spread over two years, the Bench pointed out that they not only admitted to having physical relations with each other but also of living together as a live-in couple.

"In our view, the long-drawn relationship of the appellant and the second respondent including the circumstance of their living together and cohabiting with each other... would give rise to a presumption that their relationship was based on a valid consent," the top court said.

India's space journey not about competition: PM

AKSHEEV THAKUR

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NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday reaffirmed that India's space journey was not about competing with others, but about reaching greater heights together.

Speaking through a video message at the 12th Global Space Exploration Conference (GLEX)-2025, Modi emphasised on the collective goal of exploring space for the benefit of humanity.

Modi said, "Space is not just

a destination, but a declaration of curiosity, courage and collective progress. From launching a small rocket in 1963 to becoming the first nation to land near the south pole of the moon, India's space journey reflects this spirit. India made history by reaching Mars on its first attempt in 2014 and has also built cryogenic engines in a record time. Together, we share a common goal to explore space for the good of humanity," he said.

The PM remarked that

India continues to advance with renewed confidence, constantly pushing the boundaries of scientific exploration. "India's first human spaceflight mission, Gaganyaan, reflects the nation's growing aspirations in space technology. In the coming weeks, an Indian astronaut will travel to space as part of a joint ISRO-NASA mission to the International Space Station," Modi said.

He further outlined India's long-term vision, stating that by 2035, the Bharatiya Antarik-

sha Station would facilitate ground-breaking research and international collaboration.

By 2040, an Indian astronaut would leave footprints on the Moon. Besides, Mars and Venus remain key targets in India's future space ambitions, he said.

Union Minister Jitendra Singh pointed out that India today has 290 MoUs with over 60 countries. "We have a space economy of \$8 billion. Our pace of growth is not only progressive, but also increasing," Singh said.

NIA seeks public help in Pahalgam probe

NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Wednesday appealed to tourists, visitors and locals with any information, photographs, or videos related to the recent terror attack in Pahalgam to come forward and assist in the ongoing investigation.

The agency, which has already collected a significant amount of visual evidence, is now intensifying its efforts to ensure no crucial clue is missed. Official sources said the NIA is meticulously examining all available material to uncover the identities and methods of the attackers.

In an appeal posted on its website and social media handles, the NIA urged people to contact them via mobile at 9654958816 or landline at 011-24368800. Callers are requested to share their personal details and describe the nature of the information or media they wish to submit.

Security personnel rush to the attack site at Pahalgam. FILE

A senior NIA official will then coordinate the collection of the material.

The agency believes that some individuals — whether tourists or locals — may have inadvertently captured vital details that could aid in exposing the conspiracy behind the attack. Numerous images and videos of the incident have already surfaced on social media. The NIA intends to scrutinise each one, along with any new evidence from those present in or around the area. — TNS

Unseasonal rain continues to batter Gujarat

AHMEDABAD, MAY 7

Unseasonal rain continued to lash several parts of Gujarat for the second consecutive day on Wednesday, causing damage to crops but providing respite to people from the scorching summer heat.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast more downpour over the next few days.

Rain was witnessed at most places in Gujarat for the second consecutive day, with districts like Anand, Bhavnagar, Ahmedabad, Vadodara and Kheda recording 50 mm to 100 mm of rainfall in eight hours since 6 am on Wednesday, the State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC) said.

On Tuesday, Bhavnagar district was especially battered by very heavy rain, while isolated places in Anand district recorded heavy rain, the IMD said.

It caused damage to crops like mango and stored yield such as millet, sorghum, corn, moong, thereby incurring losses to farmers.

But the downpour also brought down the day's temperatures and provided relief to people from sweltering heat. Due to the rain, the maximum temperature in Ahmedabad dropped to 30°C. Several other parts of the state also witnessed a drop in temperature.

The IMD said there would be no major change in the maximum temperature in the next four to five days over the region. — PTI

“भारत के ऊर्जा क्षेत्र को मजबूत करने के लिए हम इसे जनशक्ति से सशक्त बना रहे हैं। भारत ऐसे ऊर्जा समाधान प्रदान करने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है जो हमारी प्रकृति को समृद्ध करते हुए हमारे विकास को ऊर्जा प्रदान करें।”
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PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR KIND ATTENTION OF ALLOTTEES AND ANY OTHER CONCERNED PERSON(S) IN GENERAL OF THE REAL ESTATE PROJECT NAMEDLY "SIGNATURE GLOBAL CITY 63A" LOCATED AT SECTOR 63A, GURUGRAM BEING DEVELOPED BY M/S SIGNATUREGLOBAL (INDIA) LTD. FORMERLY KNOWN AS M/S SIGNATUREGLOBAL (INDIA) PVT. LTD.

1. The above-mentioned project was registered with HARERA, Gurugram vide registration no. 21 of 2022 dated 31.03.2022 valid up to 28.02.2023. The registration was extended vide Extension No. 08 of 2023 dated 17.04.2023 valid up to 27.02.2024 and thereafter further continuation granted vide Continuation No. 07 of 2024 dated 09.07.2024 valid up to 26.02.2025.
2. The promoter has made an application with the request to the authority that instead of revoking the registration on its expiry, the authority may permit it to remain in force subject to such further terms and conditions as it thinks fit to impose in the interest of the allottees, and any such terms and conditions so imposed shall be binding upon the promoter.
3. The promoter Company has been converted from Private Limited to Limited Company under Section 18 of the Companies Act, 2013 vide Certificate of Incorporation dated 10.03.2022 issued by Registrar of Companies and as such the Company is known as M/s Signatureglobal (India) Ltd. instead of M/s Signatureglobal (India) Pvt. Ltd.
4. The Authority is considering an application of the promoter to permit the continuation of the registration certificate under section 7(3) of the Act and therefore hereby invite objections from the allottees in particular and any other concerned person(s) in general in this regard.
5. The objections, if any shall be filed in the registry of the Authority before 23.05.2025 and concerned may appear in person in the Authority on 26.05.2025 at 11:00 AM failing which the Authority may consider the present application for continuation of the registration under section 7(3) of the Act of 2016.

Secretary
For Haryana Real Estate Regulatory
Authority, Gurugram

Dated: 08.05.2025

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भौखिकालिक निर्देशन बॉयलर मामिक के लिए माधवनिवास

समी बॉयलर मामिकों को मुक्ति किता प्रेशर है कि उन बॉयलरों का पंजीकरण करवाना अनिवार्य है किनी पानी की क्षमता 25 लीटर से ज्यादा, जहाँ 1 फिलोसा प्रति बॉल मेंट्रीपीटर व हायामन 100 लिटर से अधिक होना। बॉयलर को पंजीकृत करवाना बॉयलर मामिक की ही जिम्मेदारी है और बिना पंक्तिकृत बॉयलर बनाता बॉयलर अभियन्ता, 2025 के अंतर्गत दंडनीय अपराध है किनी भी अग्रिय घटना के लिए बॉयलर मामिक स्वयं जिम्मेदार हो।

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- देसने में आता कि बॉयलर किता बिना IBR Folder के बॉयलर केता को जब देते हैं और बॉयलर केता IBR Folder के अन्तर्गत में किता बॉयलर पंक्तिकृत करवाया जाता है तो की निमोमें के बिन्दु है और दण्डीय अपराध है जतः किनी भी अनेखित व अग्रिय घटना के लिए बॉयलर मामिकों के समय बॉयलर किता की दुर्घटना के जिम्मेदार है।
- प्रमाण पत्र पी.डी. में उल्लिखित अग्रिय की समाप्ति के बाद बॉयलर का उपयोग नहीं किता जाए।
- स्थानांतरित बॉयलर का उपयोग जब तक नहीं किता जाए जब तक कि मुख्य निरीक्षक बॉयलर, हरियाणा को स्थानांतरण की लिखित सूचना दी गई हो।
- बॉयलर का उपयोग प्रमाणित प्रेशर से अधिक प्रेशर पर नहीं किता जाए।
- बॉयलर हमेशा बॉयलर अटेंडन्ट / बॉयलर ऑपरेशन इंटीपीटर की उपस्थिती में ही चलाए। किनी भी अग्रिय घटना के लिए बॉयलर मामिक जिम्मेदार है।
- बॉयलर के दुर्घटना की सूचना 24 घंटे के भीतर मुख्य निरीक्षक बॉयलर, हरियाणा को दी जाए। दुर्घटना की प्रकृति और बॉयलर के में दुर्घटना के कारण होने वाली क्षति, गिरा कोई हो, मुक्ति को हुई बोट / मृत्यु का किनी भी संग्रहित के नुस्खन का नहीं लिखित विवरण दिया जाए।
- बॉयलर की बेसिले, बेसिले, क्षुद्र प्रतिस्थापन आदि जैसे कार्य लिखित कार्य, मुख्य निरीक्षक बॉयलर, हरियाणा की मंजूरी के बिना नहीं किता जाए। बॉयलर की परम्परा, क्षुद्र प्रतिस्थापन, Modification of boiler and boiler component जैसे कार्य लिखित रूप में मुख्य निरीक्षक बॉयलर, हरियाणा की मंजूरी के बिना नहीं किता जाए।
- Steam Pipeline Boiler में नेक्चर use-and तक मुख्य निरीक्षक बॉयलर, हरियाणा से मंजूर व लिखित किता जायान जखन है व बास्तर का पंजीकरण संख्या बॉयलर नोट पर उनीन करवाना अनिवार्य है ऐसा ना करवा बॉयलर अभियन्ता, 2025 के अंतर्गत दंडनीय अपराध है।
- बॉयलर की मासिक निरीक्षण के लिए तैयारी, अटेंडन्ट बेसिले, क्षुद्र प्रतिस्थापन आदि जैसे कार्य प्रमाणित IBR Repairer में ही करवाया जाए।
- बॉयलर से कबने के लिए बॉयलर कि निमालि और पर सफाई करें व Soft Water का इस्तेमाल करें।
- अनेक को मूर्च्छित रूप में चलाता बॉयलर मामिक किनी ही जिम्मेदारी है।
- अगर वह दुर्घटना और कानूनी कार्यवाही से बचना चाहते हैं तो उपर्युक्त बातों में सख्तताओं ना करें।

The 50-issue Nifty of NSE advanced by 34.80 points to settle at 24,414.40. —PTI

BRIEFLY

TAIPEI
Taipei Open: Srikanth, Ayush, Unnati enter second round
Star Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth started his campaign on a bright note with a straight game win as he, along with a host of other youngsters, progressed to the second round of the Taipei Open Super 300 Badminton Tournament here on Wednesday. World No. 61 Srikanth dispatched fellow Indian Sankar Subramanian 21-16 21-15 to enter the second round. The 32-year-old will face another Indian Ayush Shetty. In women's singles, Unnati Hooda beat compatriot Anupama Upadhyaya 21-13 21-17. Aakrushi Kashyap, however, faltered in the opening hurdle, going down 9-21 12-21 to Taipei's Hung Yi-Ting.

ALAIN (UAE)
Pranav loses in Asian Continental Chess opener
World junior champion V Pranav of India lost to seasoned Grandmaster Jan Emmanuel Garcia of Philippines in the first round of the Asian Continental Chess Championship here on Wednesday. On a day when top seeded Grandmaster Nihal Sarin was seen struggling before playing out a draw with another Filipino Paulo Bersamina, fourth seed Murali Karthikeyan had it easy and scored his first victory at the expense of Cao Qingfen of China. It was a rather mixed day for the huge Indian contingent here with 18 Grandmasters and many others wanting to make an impression in the Asian event.

NICOSIA (CYPRUS)
Shooters Maheshwari, Abhay fail to make skeet final
Olympian Maheshwari Chauhan and Abhay Singh Sekhon respectively failed to reach the women's and men's skeet finals at the ISSF Shotgun World Cup here on Wednesday. Maheshwari and Abhay closed with a 25 and 23, respectively, narrowly missing out on the finals. Maheshwari's tally of 118 was two below the joint sixth spot, while Abhay's 121 was even closer as Ireland's Jack Fairclough took the sixth and final qualifying spot with 122. Also competing in the women's skeet, Parinaaz Dhalwal (23, 24, 20, 25, 24) was 16th with 116. AGENCIES

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India skipper Rohit retires from Tests, to continue in ODIs



STATS
TESTS
67
RUNS
4301
AVERAGE
40.57
100s/50s
12/18
HIGH SCORE
212

NEW DELHI, MAY 7
India captain Rohit Sharma announced his retirement from Test cricket on Wednesday but said he will continue playing One-day Internationals which have been his strong suit. The 38-year-old had quit T20 Internationals immediately after leading India to their second 20-overs World Cup title in West Indies last year. "Hello everyone, I would like to share that I am retiring from Test cricket," Rohit posted on Instagram. "It's been an absolute honour to represent my country in whites. Thank you for all

the love and support over the years. I will continue to represent India in the ODI (One Day International) format." Jasprit Bumrah, Rohit's deputy in the Test squad, led the side in two Tests in Australia last season in Rohit's absence but the Indian cricket board (BCCI) may not task a fast bowler with full-time captaincy given their injury-prone nature. India will kick off their Test season with a five-match series in England beginning in Leeds on June 20. A late bloomer in the long format, Rohit retires with

“It's been an absolute honour to represent my country in whites. Thank you for all the love and support over the years. I will continue to represent India in the ODI format” **Rohit Sharma**

4,301 runs including 12 hundreds from 67 Tests with an average of 40.57. Rohit is a 50-overs stalwart with three 200-plus scores, including a 264 against Sri Lanka, which remains the highest individual score in men's ODIs.

An elegant right-hander when on song, Rohit could not reach the same height in Test cricket though and had just one hundred in his last 19 innings. His prolonged run drought forced the India captain to take the drastic step of dropping himself from a Sydney Test against Australia earlier this year. Rohit led India to the final of the 50-overs World Cup in 2023 and also captained them to their Champions Trophy victory earlier this year. "Thank you, Captain. End of an era in whites..." the BCCI wrote on X. — Reuters

Amid distractions, desperate DC face in-form Punjab Kings in must-win clash

Eye on the prize



A victory for the Kings on Thursday would send them to the top of the table. PHOTO: KAMALJEET

406
Prabhsimran Singh and Priyansh Arya have the third-most partnership runs this year in the IPL (406), only behind Gujarat Titans' Shubman Gill and Sai Sudharsan (634) and Royal Challengers Bengaluru's Virat Kohli and Devdutt Padikkal (453)

STANDINGS							
T	P	W	L	N	PT	NRR	
GT	11	8	3	0	16	0.793	
RCB	11	8	3	0	16	0.482	
PBKS	11	7	3	1	15	0.376	
MI	12	7	5	0	14	1.156	
DC	11	6	4	1	13	0.362	
KKR	11	5	5	1	11	0.249	
LSG	11	5	6	0	10	-0.469	
SRH	11	3	7	1	7	-1.192	
RR	12	3	9	0	6	-0.718	
CSK	11	2	9	0	4	-1.117	

*Road under Teams, Played, Wins, Losses, No results, Net Run Rate, Points

side could have been bowled out for less than 100. On the other hand, Punjab Kings come into the game fresh from their heroics against Lucknow Super Giants here. The Kings are looking for another home win — especially amid rumours that

their next game against Mumbai Indians could be shifted out of here — to all but seal a playoff's berth. The Kings have been sensational this season. Their top-order has been rock solid, with opener Prabhsimran Singh providing flying starts and accumulating 437 runs. Skipper Shreyas Iyer has scored 405 runs, including four fifties, and the presence of the in-form Shashank Singh in the middle-order give their batting depth. It will be interesting to see how the Capitals use their attack led by Mitchell Starc and Kuldeep Yadav. "The last match was really good... a lot of positives, especially from Prabhsimran. We are expecting it to be another high scoring game. The conditions are good and we are planning to get the best out of all the matches now," said Sunil Joshi, Kings' spinning bowling coach.

Dark clouds over next game

With the rising tension between India and Pakistan, the BCCI is yet to take a call on the next match in Dharamsala — scheduled for the May 11 afternoon between Punjab Kings and Mumbai Indians. With rumours about the match likely to be shifted to another venue, many felt that the move could be a huge loss for the HPCA. Since the Kangra-Gaggal airport is not expected to become operational for civilian flights till the morning of May 10, the Mumbai Indians squad most probably will travel by road from Delhi to Dharamsala, if the match goes ahead as per the schedule.

Mumbai paid for no-ball 'crime', Pandya after loss

MUMBAI, MAY 7
Mumbai Indians captain Hardik Pandya said the three no-balls he and teammate Deepak Chahar bowled against Gujarat Titans were a "crime" that led to their loss in a last-ball thriller in the IPL on Tuesday. Mumbai's six-match winning streak came to an end as Gujarat survived intense drama in a rain-affected match in Mumbai before escaping to victory off the last ball. Needing 15 runs off the last over from Chahar, Gujarat batters Rahul Tewatia and Gerald Coetzee milked 11 off the first three deliveries before the bowler sent down a no-ball. It eased pressure on Gujarat, who, despite losing Coetzee, went on to

accomplish a tricky chase of 147 from 19 overs. Mumbai also dropped Gujarat captain Shubman Gill and an erratic Pandya bowled an 11-ball over that included two no-balls and three wides. "The catches didn't really cost us. We were very clinical with that," Pandya said after their three-wicket loss. "Maybe definitely with the no-balls, with my no-ball and even the last (over) no-ball. That, in my eyes, indeed it's a crime, and most often than not it kind of bites you. It definitely did to us, but at the same point of time, really happy with the boys giving their 120% and making sure that we were in the game and not giving up." — Reuters

SCOREBOARD									
Mumbai Indians					Gujarat Titans				
R Ricketton c Sudharsan b Siraj	2	S Sudharsan c Ricketton b Boult	5						
R Sharma c Krishna b Arshad	7	S Gill b Bumrah	43						
W Jacks c Sudharsan b Rashid	53	J Buttler c Ricketton b Ashwani	30						
S Yadav c Shahrukh b Kishore	35	S Rutherford lbw b Boult	28						
T Varma c Gill b Coetzee	7	S Khan b Bumrah	6						
H Pandya c Gill b Kishore	1	R Tewatia not out	11						
N Dhir c Gill b Krishna	7	R Khan lbw b Ashwani	2						
C Bosch run out (Rashid)	27	G Coetzee c Dhir b Chahar	12						
D Chahar not out	8	A Khan not out	1						
K Sharma not out	1	Extras: (NB 3, W 6)	9						
Extras: (LB 6, W 1)	7	Total: (7 wickets, 19 overs)	147 (DLS)						
Total: (8 wickets, 20 overs)	155	FOW: 1-6, 2-78, 3-113, 4-115, 5-123, 6-126, 7-146							
Bowling					Bowling				
	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	W
Mohammed Siraj	3	0	29	1	Deepak Chahar	3	0	32	1
Arshad Khan	3	0	18	1	Trent Boult	4	0	22	2
Prasidh Krishna	4	0	37	1	Jasprit Bumrah	4	0	19	2
Sai Kishore	4	0	34	2	Hardik Pandya	1	0	18	0
Rashid Khan	4	0	21	1	Kam Sharma	2	0	13	0
Gerald Coetzee	2	0	10	1	Ashwani Kumar	4	0	28	2
					Will Jacks	1	0	15	0

India beat SA, to face Lanka in final

WOMEN'S TRI-SERIES

COLOMBO, MAY 7
Riding on Jemimah Rodrigues' career-best century and half-tens from opener Smriti Mandhana and Deepti Sharma, India defeated a fighting South Africa by 23 runs to set up the title clash with Sri Lanka in the women's Tri-Nation ODI series here on Wednesday. Rodrigues' blazing 123 off 101 balls, laced with 15 fours and a six, saw India post 337/9 before the bowlers, led by seamer Amanjot Kaur (3/59) and off-spinner Deepti (2/57), restricted the opponents to 314/7. This despite Annerie Dercksen's fine 81-run knock and stand-in skipper Chloe Tryon's 67. India ended their round-robin phase with six points from four games. Sri Lanka, on the other hand, have four points from three games and could garner two more points if they beat South Africa on Friday. South Africa, after losing three consecutive games, are out of contention. India's batting prowess came to the fore once again as the 24-year-old Jemimah anchored the team's innings with her second ODI hundred. She shared two vital partnerships — an 88-run stand off 99 balls with opener Mandhana (51) and a 122-run partnership off 115 balls with



Jemimah Rodrigues scored a career-best 123 off 101 balls, laced with 15 fours and a six. s.c

Deepti (93). Rodrigues was finally dismissed in the 43rd over caught at point while trying to hit over the offside. The success did bring cheers to the South African camp but the euphoria was short-lived as all-rounder Deepti took over and played a classy 84-ball innings, studied with 10 boundaries and two sixes. For South Africa, seamer Masabata Klaas (2/51), Nadine de Klerk (2/54) and left-arm spinner Nonkululeko Mlaba (2/71) were the pick of the bowlers. With a massive run-chase staring at them, South Africa

lost opener Lara Goodall (7) in the second over. But Tazmin Brits (26) and Miane Smit (39) repaired the damage somewhat with a 63-run partnership for the second wicket as the opponents reached 70/2 by the 15th over. But with India skipper Harmanpreet tactfully utilising her bowling resources, South African batters found it tough to go for the big hits, scoring most of their runs in ones and twos. South African top-order batter Annerie Dercksen (81 off 80 balls) did try to push the scoring rate up during her 72-run partnership for

the sixth wicket with Tryon (67 off 43 balls), but with the asking rate creeping up steadily they just could not keep pace. With two overs remaining and South Africa on 299/6, the match was halted temporarily due to poor light. But Tryon and Nadine de Klerk came out to bat once the light improved and scored 15 more runs. **Brief scores: India:** 337/9 (Rodrigues 123, Deepti 93, Mandhana 51; Klaas 2/51, de Klerk 2/54); **South Africa:** 314/7 (Dercksen 81, Tryon 67; Amanjot 3/59, Deepti 2/57). — PTI

Compound archery teams enter finals

SHANGHAI, MAY 7
The Indian men's and women's compound archery teams stormed into the finals of the World Cup Stage 2 with commanding wins here on Wednesday, assuring the country of two medals from the prestigious event. While the compound archers continued to shine, it was a grim picture in the Olympics discipline recurve section, where the Indians endured a disappointing day with only Dhiraj Bommadevara finishing in the top-10, while the rest struggled with ordinary qualifying scores. The No. 1-ranked men's team of Ojas Deotale, Abhishek Verma and Rishabh Yadav easily defeated Great Britain 239-232 in the quarterfinal before overcoming a strong challenge from Denmark 232-231 in the semifinal. In the women's compound section, the top ranked Indian team comprising Madhura Dhamangaonkar, Chikitha Taniparthi and Jyothi Surekha Vennam overcame Kazakhstan in the quarterfinal, before defeating Great Britain in the last-four stage. Both the gold-medal matches against Mexico will take place on Saturday. — PTI

Inter edge Barcelona in 7-goal thriller to reach final

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

MILAN, MAY 7
Inter Milan substitute Davide Frattesi struck an extra-time winner to send his side into the Champions League final following a sensational 4-3 victory over Barcelona on Tuesday after Francesco Acerbi had rescued them from the brink of elimination with a stunning equaliser deep in added time. Frattesi's goal and a string of superb saves by goalkeeper Yann Sommer secured Inter a rip-roaring 7-6 aggregate victory in a semifinal for the ages. Following a breathtaking first leg in Barcelona that had everything from early drama, late chaos and dazzling moments from 17-year-old Lamine Yamal, the return encounter in Milan was even more dramatic, a rollercoaster ride that will live long in the memory. It was a tale of two halves as Inter dominated the first 45 minutes and opened a two-goal lead thanks to a Lautaro Martinez goal on the counter in the 21st minute before Hakan Calhanoglu extended their advantage with a penalty right before the break. The penalty was awarded after the VAR spotted a foul by Pau Cubarsi on Martinez



Inter's Davide Frattesi celebrates scoring their fourth goal. REUTERS

in the box that had looked like a well-timed challenge on first viewing. However, Barca woke up in the second half with Eric Garcia and Dani Olmo netting within six minutes to level the scoring and, even though Sommer worked his magic to help keep the hosts alive, the Catalans thought they had secured the winner through Raphinha, who struck from close range in the 87th minute. But as Inter made a desperate run for an equaliser, Denzel Dumfries found 37-year-old Acerbi inside the box and he fired a first-time effort into the net to score his

first European goal in his 20th season and take the game to extra time. In the 99th minute, Marcus Thuram made a brilliant run from the right and played the ball into the area for Frattesi, who set himself before neatly guiding a curling shot into the bottom corner to send the delighted home fans into raptures. Sommer made two world-class saves from Yamal, who also hit the post with another stunning strike deep in added time, as Inter moved a step closer to their fourth Champions League title and their first in 15 years. — Reuters



CBI Director Praveen Sood. PTI

Sood gets 1-yr extension as CBI Director

NEW DELHI, MAY 7 The Centre on Wednesday extended the tenure of CBI Director Praveen Sood by one year. Sood took over as the CBI director on May 25, 2023, for a two-year term, slated to end on May 24.

The decision was taken in a meeting of the selection committee, headed by PM Modi, and comprising CJI Sanjiv Khanna and LoP in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, on Monday. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), based on the recommendations of the selection committee approved the extension.

It was decided to give Sood an extension, as the committee apparently could not arrive at a consensus over selecting his successor. BSF Director General Daljeet Chawdhary and Delhi Police Commissioner Sanjay Arora and CISF DG RS Bhatti were the contenders for the post. — TNS

Cash at judge's house

CJI seeks Justice Varma's reply after 3-judge panel confirms allegations

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, MAY 7 The Supreme Court-appointed three-judge probe panel is learnt to have confirmed the cash discovery allegations against Allahabad High Court's Justice Yashwant Varma.

Unaccounted cash was discovered during a fire incident at his residence in New Delhi on March 14 when he was a judge of the Delhi High Court.

Asking Justice Varma to respond to the report, CJI Sanjiv Khanna reportedly advised him to step down in view of his indictment by the probe panel.

The three-member committee—consisting of Punjab and Haryana HC Chief Justice Sheel Nagu, Himachal Pradesh HC Chief Justice GS Sandhawalia and Justice Anu Sivaraman of the Karnataka HC—submitted its report dated May 3 to the CJI on May 4.

The panel found clear evidence to confirm the allegations that a huge stash of cash was found in the storeroom of Justice Varma's official residence, said sources.

The committee is said to have analysed evidence and record-

Advices him to step down post-indictment

ed statements of over 50 people, including Delhi Police Commissioner Sanjay Arora and Delhi Fire Service chief, who were among the first responders to the fire incident on March 14.

Based on the March 24 recommendation of the SC Collegium, Justice Varma was on March 28 transferred to his parent high court i.e. the Allahabad High Court, where he has not been assigned any judicial work "for the time being".

If Justice Varma ignores the CJI's advice to step down, Justice Khanna would intimate the President and the PM of the committee's findings, warranting initiation of proceedings for his removal. CJI Khanna is expected to take a decision on the issue before his retirement on May 13.

The SC had released the initial probe report submitted by Delhi HC chief along with Justice Varma's response. However, the latest report of the three-member inquiry panel has not been made public.

22 Naxalites shot dead in Chhattisgarh encounter

24,000 personnel deployed under Operation Sankalp

BIJAPUR, MAY 7 Twenty-two Naxalites were killed in an encounter with the security forces on Wednesday in the forests of Chhattisgarh's Bijapur district, bordering Telangana, during Operation Sankalp, a massive counter-insurgency initiative, a senior police official said.

The gunfight broke out in the morning in the Karregutta hills forest along the interstate border. "So far, bodies of 22 Naxalites have been recovered, while a search operation is underway," he said, adding that the identity of the slain cadres was yet to be established.

With the latest encounter, the toll of Naxalites gunned down under Operation Sankalp since April 21 has climbed to 26.

One of the biggest counter-insurgency actions launched in the Bastar region, Operation Sankalp involves around 24,000 security personnel from different units including District Reserve Guard (DRG), Bastar Fighters, Special Task Force (STF), all units of the state police, Central reserve Police Force (CRPF) and its elite unit CoBRA.



Security personnel deployed in Chhattisgarh. FILE PHOTO

The operation was launched based on inputs about the presence of senior cadres of battalion no. 1, the strongest military formation of Maoists, Dandakaranya Special Zonal Committee and Telangana state committee of Maoists.

Earlier on April 24, three Naxalite women, belonging to the PLGA battalion no.1 of Maoists carrying a reward of Rs 8 lakh each, were gunned down on the Karregutta hills, leading to the recovery of a huge cache of weapons, explosives, and other material. On May 5, a woman Naxalite was killed in a gunfight with the secu-

city forces in the area.

"The inputs suggest several senior-level Maoist cadres have either been killed or seriously injured during this operation, but their colleagues managed to drag them inside the forest," he said.

Meanwhile, at least six security personnel, including an official of CoBRA unit, have been injured in different incidents of pressure IED blasts. All the injured jawans are out of danger and are being treated in various hospitals.

With the latest action, 168 Naxalites have been gunned down in Chhattisgarh so far this year. — PTI

Accused entitled to documents collected by ED, rules top court

NEW DELHI, MAY 7 An accused is entitled to the copy of the documents and statements collected by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) during investigation of cases under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, even if not relied upon by the probe agency, the Supreme Court ruled on Wednesday.

A Bench of Justice Abhay S Oka and Justice Ujjal Bhuyan held that a copy of the list of statements, documents, materials, objects and exhibits, which are not relied upon by the investigating officer, must also be furnished to the accused.

The court said a fair trial includes the right to defend, which in turn consists of the right to lead defence evidence by examining witnesses and producing documents, it said,

adding the right extended to compelling the prosecution or a third party to produce a document or thing in their possession or custody.

The top court said the special judge dealing with the case must direct that along with the process, a copy of the complaint and documents be supplied to the accused.

The verdict came on a petition filed by one Sarla Gupta, accused in a PMLA case, challenging a Delhi High Court judgment that said the prosecution was not obligated to provide documents at the pre-trial stage. Trial courts can decline requests for sharing such documents only on the limited grounds set out in Section 233 (3) of the CrPC—if the request is only made to delay the proceedings, defeat the ends of justice, or for vexatious reasons. — TNS

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5 schoolkids, driver die in Patiala mishap

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PATIALA, MAY 7 Five school students, including a brother-sister duo, along with the driver of the SUV, in which they were travelling, were crushed to death in a road mishap at Samana in Patiala district on Wednesday.

Near Nassupur on the Samana road, a tipper truck, alleged to be illegally loaded and on the wrong side of the road, hit the SUV that was carrying 13 school students around 3.30 pm. The force of collision was so intense that the front portion of the vehicle was severely crushed, requiring a crane to remove the bodies.

Eight persons were also injured in the accident, and have been admitted to different hospitals in Patiala.

According to the police, all students were aged between six to 12 years and were from Bhupindra International Public School in Urban Estate. They were returning home from the school at the time of the mishap. The deceased driver was identified as Balwinder Singh (45). The police said the



The mangled remains of the car after the accident in Patiala on Wednesday. TRIBUNE PHOTO: RAJESH SACHAR

investigation was on to ascertain the total count of students present in the vehicle.

Patiala SP (city) Palwinder Singh Cheema, who rushed to the accident spot, said, "The driver of the truck is absconding, but we will register a case based on CCTV footage and statements of onlookers."

Local residents alleged that the illegally plying sand-loaded trucks run all through the day on this road, despite a ban on

their ferrying before 8 pm.

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Wednesday expressed deep shock and anguish over the death of five school students and the driver and expressed his heartfelt sympathies with the members of the bereaved families.

Mann said he was already in touch with the district administration and had directed them to ensure best medical facilities to all injured.

Punjab Health Minister Dr Balbir Singh visited the Government Rajindra Hospital to oversee the treatment of injured students, who were later shifted to a private hospital.

"I have asked the attending doctors to shift the patients in case it is advisable. All arrangements are there for proper medical treatment. We will not spare the guilty officials whose negligence led to this tragic accident," he stated.

TENDER NOTICE FOR VARIOUS WORKS
GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
Tender Notice Reference No. 09 dt. 07.05.2025
The Department of Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board invites online bids for the following:-

Sr. No.	Item	Quantity
1.	Hiring 1 No. Vehicles for Water Sampling Unit at Patiala	1

Closing Date & Time: 26.05.2025 upto 4:00 P.M.
For details login to: eproc.punjab.gov.in
Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Punjab W/S & Sewerage Division No. 1,
Patiala.
DPR/Pb/44182

HIMACHAL PRADESH HORTICULTURAL PRODUCE MARKETING AND PROCESSING CORPORATION LTD.
(A State Government Undertaking)
Head Office: Nigam Vihar, Shimla- 171002 (HP)
Phone No: 0177-2623823/2623799 Email: hpmcshimla@live.com
NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)
for Lifting of Apple Pomace from Fruit Processing Plant, Parala, District Shimla
Expressions of Interest (EOI) are invited from reputed agency/firm for lifting of Apple Pomace generated at Fruit Processing Plant, Parala (Distt. Shimla) during the apple processing season 2025. The interested agency/firm may submit their proposal on above given address in person or by Post or by e-mail (hpmcshimla@live.com) on or before 15th May, 2025 upto 05:00 pm.
Detailed information regarding this notice will also be available on official website of HPMC: <https://hpmc.in>.
Sd/- Managing Director,
HPMC Ltd.

Bid No. 13/PWSSD MOGA DATE - 06.05.2025
<http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>
On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Board, Chandigarh, Executive Engineer, Pb. W/S & Sew. Divn., Moga invites bids from eligible bidders for the works detailed below:-

Sr. No.	Item	Qty.
1	Augmentation and Rehabilitation of Water Supply System by Providing House Service Connection and Distribution Network, Installation of Tubewells and Construction of 1.0 Lakh Gallon OHSRs at Raikot District Ludhiana Under Amrut-2.0 Scheme	Capital Cost Rs. 402.44 Lacs

1. Period of availability of tender online shall be: From 07.05.2025, 01.00 p.m.
2. Last Date and Time for online submission of bid shall be: 21.05.2025 up to 05.00 p.m.
3. Date and Time of opening of Technical Bid: 22.05.2025 at 01.00 p.m.
*For detailed terms and conditions refer to website <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>
Note:- If any corrigendum issued will be loaded & seen at website <http://eproc.punjab.gov.in>
Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Punjab W/S & Sew. Divn., Moga.
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ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰੋਡ ਟਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਡਿਪੋ
ਨੰਬਰ.....ਪੀਆਰਟੀਸੀ/ਟਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਡਿਪੋ
ਖੁੱਲ੍ਹੀ ਬੀਡੀ
ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪੀਆਰਟੀਸੀ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਡਿਪੋ ਅਧੀਨ ਆਉਂਦੇ ਬੱਸ ਸਟੈਂਡ ਜ਼ੋਨਾਂ ਵਿਖੇ 10*10 ਦੇ ਖਾਲੀ ਸਪੇਸ ਕਾਮਨ ਸਰਵਿਸ ਸਟੈਂਡ (ਪ੍ਰਾਈਵੇਟ ਕੋਥ ਬੁਕਿੰਗ ਲਈ) ਦੀ ਖੁੱਲ੍ਹੀ ਬੀਡੀ ਮਿਤੀ 20.05.2025 ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 11.00 ਪੀਆਰਟੀਸੀ ਦੇ ਬੱਸ ਸਟੈਂਡ ਜ਼ੋਨਾਂ ਵਿਖੇ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ। ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਚਾਹਵਾਨ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਬੀਡੀ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਵਿਖੇ 10*10 ਦੇ ਖਾਲੀ ਸਪੇਸ ਕਾਮਨ ਸਰਵਿਸ ਸਟੈਂਡ (ਪ੍ਰਾਈਵੇਟ ਕੋਥ ਬੁਕਿੰਗ ਲਈ) ਨੂੰ ਲਾਇਸੈਂਸ ਵੀਜ਼ ਉਪਰ ਲੈਣਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਬੀਡੀ ਵਿਚ ਹਿੱਸਾ ਲੈਣ ਲਈ 100/- ਰੁਪਏ ਐਂਟਰੀ ਫੀਸ (ਜੋ ਕਿ ਨਾ ਮੌਜੂਦਗ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ) ਅਤੇ ਸਕਿਉਰਿਟੀ ਫੀਸ 10,000/- ਰੁਪਏ (ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੌਜੂਦਗ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ) ਬਤੌਰ ਖਿਮਾਨੇ ਦੀ ਰਕਮ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਰਵਾ ਕੇ ਹਿੱਸਾ ਲੈ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਸਭਲ ਬੀਡੀਆਰ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਰੱਥ ਅਧਿਕਾਰੀ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਣ ਉਪਰੰਤ 10*10 ਦੇ ਖਾਲੀ ਸਪੇਸ ਕਾਮਨ ਸਰਵਿਸ ਸਟੈਂਡ (ਪ੍ਰਾਈਵੇਟ ਕੋਥ ਬੁਕਿੰਗ ਲਈ) ਦਾ ਕਬਜ਼ਾ ਲੈਣ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਤਿੰਨ ਮਹੀਨੇ ਦੀ ਲਾਇਸੈਂਸ ਵੀਜ਼ ਦੇ ਬਰਾਬਰ ਦੀ ਰਕਮ ਬਤੌਰ ਸਕਿਉਰਿਟੀ ਸਮਰੱਥ ਅਧਿਕਾਰੀ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਪੰਜ ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਅੰਦਰ ਪੀਆਰਟੀਸੀ ਕੋਲ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਰਵਾਉਣੀ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ। ਅਜਿਹਾ ਨਾ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਸੂਚਤ ਵਿਚ ਬੀਡੀ ਸਮੇਂ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਸਕਿਉਰਿਟੀ ਖਿਮਾਨੇ ਦੀ ਰਕਮ 10,000/- ਰੁਪਏ ਜਬਤ ਕਰ ਲਈ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਬੀਡੀ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਸਰਤਾਂ ਬੀਡੀ ਸੂਰ ਹੋਣ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਮੌਕੇ 'ਤੇ ਵੀ ਸੁਣਾਈਆਂ ਜਾਣਗੀਆਂ। ਬੀਡੀ ਬੈਂਸਲ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਪੀਆਰਟੀਸੀ ਦੇ ਜਨਰਲ ਮੈਨੇਜਰ ਕੋਲ ਰਖਵਾਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਹੋਰ ਜ਼ਿਆਦਾ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਵੈੱਬ ਨੰਬਰ 9789-80001 ਅਤੇ ਵੈੱਬ ਨੰਬਰ 9789-38962 'ਤੇ ਜੰਮ੍ਹਕ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।
ਸਹੀ:- ਜਨਰਲ ਮੈਨੇਜਰ,
ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰੋਡ ਟਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ,
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HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Telephone No. 01970-222270
E-mail ID: eeppwd-jawalamukhi@hp.gov.in
(INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB))
The Executive Engineer, Jawalamukhi Division HPPWD Jawalamukhi H.P. on behalf of Governor of H.P. invites the percentage rate bids, in the electronic tendering system from the eligible class of contractors registered with HPPWD for the works as detailed in the table.

Sr. No.	Name of Works	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Earnest Money
1	C/o Govt. Senior Secondary School Surani in Tehsil Khundian, Distt. Kangra (H.P.) (SH: C/o Six Rooms (Three Rooms in Ground Floor and Three Rooms in First Floor with Verandah).	Rs. 1,05,73,901/-	Rs. 2,12,000/-
2	C/o SDM Residence Jawalamukhi in Distt. Kangra (H.P.) (SH: C/o Building Portion including Water Supply and Sanitary Installation).	Rs. 44,87,454/-	Rs. 90,000/-

Starting date for downloading Bid: 08.05.2025 (For each)
Deadline for submission of Bid: 14.05.2025 (For each)
Time Limit: Six Months (For each)
The bidders are advised to note other details of tender from the department website www.hptenders.gov.in. Date of opening of tender 15.05.2025 at 11:00 A.M.
On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh
Sd/- Executive Engineer,
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